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Rail dreams set to finally come true as track set for unveiling

By **Chrissie Daniels**

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IT has suffered vandalism, costly legal battles and financial hardship – but next weekend the Sittingbourne and Kemsley Light Railway chugs back into action for the first time in years.

Now volunteers are keeping their fingers crossed they face no further hurdles after initial plans to open for the busy Easter weekend were shattered when dangerous asbestos was found near the track.

The discovery of the hazardous material was discovered in a pipe which runs alongside the line.

The asbestos was found to have dated back to 1915.

This forced the cancellation of all services, just 24 hours before it was due to begin, putting its opening back until May 27.

Although operating briefly last September, the full line has not run since Boxing Day 2008.

Paul Best, spokesman for SKLR, said: “We were devastated. It was a lot of work to get the place looking good and up and running, then to be told it was a no-go was awful.”

They had to wait two weeks for an inspection and a further week for a contractor to carry out the work and make the area safe.

Mr Best said: “We were told three weeks ago we could start running but didn’t want to get our hopes up for the May Bank Holiday so decided to start up at the end of the month instead.”

The committed volunteers have had “numerous problems” in the last few years, including vandals destroying the property and a landlord who told them

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BERRY GOOD HARVEST

GROWING SEASON: Rain may have delayed crops, but it’ll be worth it **SEE PAGE 7**

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Crowds all set for motors fun

THOUSANDS of people are set to flood into Faversham over the weekend as it stages its popular historic vehicle event.

The family fun day will see vintage cars, buses and bikes on display in the town centre, while a host of other related events will be taking place through the weekend. **PAGE 3**

CAMPAIGN

History lesson to fight Boris

CAMPAIGNERS stepping up their bid to defeat proposals put forward by London Mayor Boris Johnson for an airport in the Thames Estuary, are looking back into the recent past for vital clues on how best to challenge the latest threat. This newspaper is opposed to the airport plans. **PAGE 5**

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League move threat ahead

SITTINGBOURNE FC chiefs are keeping their fingers crossed that league chiefs will not move the club into the Ryman League North in time for the start of the new season.

But the club, which currently plays in Ryman South, faces an anxious wait before it is confirmed. **PAGE 47**

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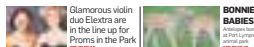
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HERITAGE

Everyone is invited to come to light railway opening weekend

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to "get lost".

A costly legal fight then ensued to ensure they could continue to operate on the site, with fundraisers collecting a remarkable £20,000 in just six weeks.

The landlord eventually backed down and the land was sold, with SKLR as tenants, in 2010. New owners Essential Land also picked up the bill to clear the asbestos.

SKLR spent £20,000 more last year maintaining the 100-year-old concrete viaduct.

The railway is the preserved southern half of the former Bowater's Railway, built to move the raw materials for paper making and also the finished products around the mill at Sittingbourne.

The station will run four services on May 27 from Sit-

tingbourne to Kemsley Down via Milton Regis.

It will return to action over the extended jubilee weekend in June with services running from 11am-4pm.

More trains will also be scheduled if demand proves to be high.

Mr Best said they have to consider the weeks they have been closed as "a loss" and need people to "come down and spend money".

He said: "It has been a tough three or four years but everyone's really excited to show off the changes."

EDUCATION

Huge bill predicted as KCC faces shortfall of 10,000 school places

By Marijke Cox

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EDUCATION chiefs have admitted needing thousands of additional school places – the equivalent of 18 new primaries and two new secondaries in four years.

In a new report, Kent County Council said forecasts suggest a significant rise of more than 10,000 primary school-aged pupils in the next few years.

And while the secondary-aged population looks set to reduce between now and 2015, numbers will then rise, peaking at around 83,000 by 2021.

KCC has frequently been accused by education experts and parents of failing to plan ahead in terms of school places.

Education expert Peter Read of Kent Independent Education Advice said while some of the principles in the report should be applauded, the matter should have been addressed years ago.

"If this had come in 2009, there was money, but KCC denied there was a problem," he said. "They now have to try and find the finance."

In its new Commissioning Plan for Education Provision, which looks at predicted birth rates and new housing over the next few years, the council sets out an aim to make sure there is a surplus of places of at least five per cent.

But Mr Read warned that this five per cent would cover the whole county, rather than districts, such as Tunbridge



A CLASS APART: KCC says good schools are the basis of a strong community

Wells, Gravesend and Thanet, which struggle with primary provision.

He added: "KCC is not allowed to build new schools; only new academies and free schools can be built.

"One example is the Tiger free school which is being built on the grounds of the half empty New Line Learning Academy in Maidstone.

"This doesn't help those on the other side of Maidstone where there is actually a problem with provision."

In its new plan, KCC vows to increase the percentage of parents securing their preferred schools, after figures last month showed 800 pupils were denied places at their three preferred primary schools for September, 2012, with the

highest numbers in Maidstone, Tunbridge Wells, Sevenoaks and Thanet.

Cabinet member for education Cllr Mike Whiting said KCC wants to make sure there are enough high-quality places available for children and young people by expanding good schools, securing investment in new ones, and providing additional places in the areas where there is growth in numbers.

"This document attempts to capture all known births and housing developments and development proposals, by district, to forecast how many early years places, primary places and secondary places we will need from 2012 to 2017," he said.

"It looks at each district separately, so

we can plan local school places where new houses are being built.

"The plan is a draft and we are actively seeking feedback from our district council colleagues, headteachers, GPs, housebuilders, parish and town councils and others. It will be reviewed every six months so forecasts can be amended to take into account new housing proposals as they come forward."

KCC said the plan was more than just "number crunching" and that it set out the council's ambition for Kent to be one of the best places for children and young people to grow up, learn, develop and achieve.

The authority is also looking to have at least 85 per cent of primary and secondary schools, and all special schools, to be judged as good or better.

Cllr Whiting said: "Good and outstanding schools are the basis of strong communities and local economies.

"Our aim is to make sure there is a good choice of schools and that we increase the number of parents who are satisfied with the school places offered. Securing good quality school places in every community is essential."

Go online to the website www.kent.gov.uk/EducationProvision to view the draft Commissioning Plan for Education and comment by June 19. Feedback from this consultation will contribute towards the final version of the plan, which will be published in the autumn.

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ENTERTAINMENT

All roads set to lead crowds towards family fun weekend

By James Benjamin

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ORGANISERS will be keeping their fingers crossed the rain stays away this weekend as Faversham prepares to welcome thousands of visitors for its two-day historic vehicle extravaganza.

The Travel Through Time – Faversham Transport Weekend, runs throughout Saturday and Sunday.

At last week's closing date for vehicle entries, a record-breaking 400 vehicles had been entered for the show.

Ima Rix from Faversham Enterprise Partnership which co-ordinates the show, says: "All the firm favourites will be at the show such as classic vehicle displays, bus tours, live music and stalls.

"However, this year there will be a number of new attractions providing plenty of fun for the whole family."

Another new development for the Transport Weekend this year are the mini shows at Brogdale Farm and Macknade Fine Foods in Selling Road. They will be organising displays and

events to mark the weekend with opportunities to shop, eat and drink.

In addition, both venues will be offering a free vintage bus park and ride service to the town centre all weekend.

This will give visitors the chance to board an historic bus to ensure they arrive in style in the town centre.

On Saturday there will be a display of vintage buses for visitors to enjoy, with classic cars and motorcycles on Sunday.

To mark this year's 50th anniversary of the Triumph Spitfire, an example of the car has been restored by Practical Classics magazine in association with Shepherd Neame and will be exhibited at Sunday's car show.

And businesses and venues around the town will be joining in the fun free family day out.

Adds Ima Rix: "Creek Creative Gallery and Cafe will be showing films and footage of classic vehicles which can be enjoyed alongside their Transport Weekend inspired lunch menu.

"Shepherd Neame's Old Brewery Store will be hosting a Modern Roads and Trams Show where

visitors can play on a huge slot racing track. In addition, the Alexander Centre is holding a Classic British Craftmanship Show."

NEWS IN BRIEF

➔ HGV theft court case

TWO men have appeared before magistrates following the theft of a 26-tonne heavy goods vehicle from an industrial yard on London Road, Newington on May 15.

Billy Jo Rye, 23, of Swanley was charged with taking a vehicle without the owner's consent, driving while disqualified and driving without insurance. Mark Jenkins, 37, of Greenhithe was charged with taking a vehicle without the owner's consent. Both pleaded not guilty.

➔ Stolen railing charges

POLICE investigating the theft of metal railings from Sheerness sea front, worth around £20,000, have charged two men.

Christopher Pepper, 23, of Well Road, Rushenden, and Charlie Johnson, 21, of Marine Parade, Sheerness, have both been charged with handling stolen goods. The theft of the railings took place in January of this year.

Both have been bailed to appear before Maidstone Magistrates' Court on May 28.

➔ Timetable changes

COMMUTERS are advised to keep an eye out for a new train timetable which comes into force this weekend.

Southeastern introduce the new schedule as of Sunday.

The most notable change is to services operating to and from London Victoria and London Blackfriars stations; between Grove Park and Bromley North; and to weekend Metro services following the reopening of London Blackfriars station.

The timetable runs until December.

COLLISION

Fighting for life after horror smash

A MAN is critically ill in a London hospital after a collision in Sittingbourne on Tuesday left him fighting for his life.

Crash investigators from Kent Police are appealing for witnesses to the incident, which took place at around 9.30pm in Swale Way, Kemsley.

A 22-year-old man from Maidstone was arrested on suspicion of drink driving and has been bailed until July 16 pending further investigations.

The 24-year-old injured man was a passenger in a blue Fiat Coupe – the only vehicle involved in the accident. He was originally taken to Medway Maritime Hospital but was moved to

King's College Hospital in London on Wednesday afternoon, where he remains in a critical but stable condition.

Detective Constable Aaron Hammond from the serious collision investigation unit said: "We are currently investigating the cause of this collision and are working to build up a timeline of events.

"I appeal to anyone who was in the area at the time who saw anything of note, or anyone who thinks they may know the injured man to contact us."

Anyone who saw the incident is asked to call the Kent Police serious collision investigation unit on 01622 798538.

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CAMPAIGN

Learning a lesson from history in bid to battle Boris' airport plans

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IT'S been 10 years since the victorious battle against plans to build an airport at Cliffe on the Hoo Peninsula.

But for the campaigners who fought so hard to bury the then-Government's contentious proposal it could have been just yesterday.

For with two new plans on the table for a Thames Estuary airport, uncertainty has been raised yet again for those living in north Kent.

But for the people who campaigned so hard against an airport at Cliffe in 2002, they already have the advantage of having come up against this contender before.

They also have the help and support of this newspaper, which has officially joined the ranks of the thousands opposed to the airport.

George Crozer, from Friends of the North Kent Marshes, likened this latest campaign to the 2003 battle, in which he played an instrumental part.

"The argument is exactly the same – this is a precious area that needs to be protected," he said. "We can look at what we did before and take from that."

"The problem is, unlike in 2003, we now have a failing economy. That is in the forefront of people's minds."

"The big thing back then was they couldn't put an airport at Cliffe because of it being a specially protected area. To do so, it would have had to have been in the national interest."

"Now with the economy how it is, it could be argued it is in the national interest."

But Mr Crozer continued:

LAST week, this newspaper declared its support for the campaign against controversial proposals to build an airport in the Thames Estuary. We believe that while there are clearly benefits in terms of jobs, the cost to the county would be so extreme that it would change Kent from a green and pleasant land to a sprawling mass of concrete and traffic.

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"Those who want the airport see it as a panacea for the jobs problem. There would be a few jobs for local people, yes, but most would be for people from out of the area who already have the skills required."

"Also, the jobs wouldn't be created for 10 or 15 years."

The last time the idea of an estuary airport reared its head was in 2002, when the then-Labour Government identified a site at Cliffe as the preferred site for an airport for London.

Campaigners launched a major fight and in December 2003 ministers dismissed the proposal, citing overwhelming environmental reasons.

The latest plans involve the construction of an international hub on Grain by Lord Foster or on reclaimed land in the estuary, promoted by Boris Johnson – Boris Island. Both would cost £50-70 billion.

Mr Crozer said it was vital the ecological importance of the site was the primary basis for the plans to be overturned.

"One of the reasons the plans could be turned down is if it's too costly, but really it needs to be about the fact this is an important ecological site."

"That is the only way people will stop coming back to the estuary with plans for an airport."

"[The area has] been looked at in 1940, in 1943, in the 1950s and then in 2003. The only way we can stop this uncertainty is for the Government to realise how important this site is ecologically."

The site is covered by five Special Protection Areas (SPA). This means it has been identified as of international importance for the breeding, feeding, wintering or migration of rare and vulnerable species of birds. This is a European designated site, protected under EU law.

The estuary is known worldwide for the thousands of migratory birds flying between Siberia and west Africa and fears have been raised over risk of bird strike with aircraft.

A headquarters, the same as that created in 2003, is being re-launched next to Mr Crozer's home in High Halstow.

It is expected to become the nerve centre of the campaign.

Medway Council is also involved in the latest fight, having played an instrumental part in the 2002/03 battle.

Leader Rodney Chambers



said the overwhelming environmental reasons given for the rejection of Cliffe airport back then hold true for all the Thames Estuary alternatives.

He added: "I urge your readers to help ground the idea of an airport on or near the Thames Estuary."

JUST SAY

NO: Join the campaign against plans for a Thames Estuary airport

NEWS IN BRIEF

➔ Stolen lorry recovered

A HIGH-tech tracking system helped police locate a stolen seven-tonne truck less than an hour after it had been swiped by crooks.

The lorry, operated by Sittingbourne firm Mid-Kent Electrical Engineering, was spotted on the A2 near Cobham after it was stolen. A tracking system fitted by the firm Quartix was immediately triggered and the lorry recovered.

Bosses say this has saved them £30,000 in lost trade.

➔ Beaches wave at award

BEACHES in Sheerness and Leysdown have picked up awards from Kent Britain Tidy.

Beach Street in Sheerness and Leysdown beach were among 99 beaches around England to collect a Quality Coast Award – designed to recognise high standards of beach management.

This came in the same announcement of the Blue Flag awards – recognised as going to the top bits of coastline. Thanet was the county's big winner, with nine flags.

➔ Model railway club

A NEW model railway club has been formed in Faversham – with an appeal for new members to sign up.

Starting on June 12, and meeting every Tuesday evening, the Faversham Model Railway Club will be staged at the West Faversham Community Centre in Bysing Wood Road between 7.15pm and 10pm. It has been formed by a small group of enthusiasts.

DIVERSION

Alternative plans put forward

KENT County Council has released an ambitious aviation plan which looks to divert the focus away from the Thames Estuary.

In a new document called Bold Steps for Aviation, KCC sets out recommendations to help the UK meet its aviation capacity needs by looking at regional airports and improved rail connectivity.

The report strongly recommends that "any proposals for the Thames Estuary airport are not progressed further".

"The authority does not consider this a viable solution and remains opposed to any airport within this location."

The recommendations include:

■ Construction of an airside high-speed rail link connecting Gatwick and Heathrow.

■ Improved connectivity of other regional airports, such as Manston and Lydd, with

Gatwick and Heathrow.

■ Further development of Manston and other existing regional airports in the south east, as those with good connections to London, such as Birmingham.

■ Capacity growth at Gatwick through the addition of a second runway after 2019.

KCC said: "Rather than depending on an estuary airport that will take years to develop and may not even succeed, better use of our existing airports now will ensure the UK retains its premier position as a hub airport."

Bold Steps for Aviation cites KCC's concerns over proposals for a Thames Estuary airport, in particular the cost of such a venture, the impact on communities living within the Medway area, the damage to the environment and the significant risk issues associated with locating an airport in the estuary.

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ENVIRONMENT

High Sheriff tells mums to stop letting kids drop fast food litter on country roads

By Chris Murphy

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THE county needs to clean up its act if the growing problem of litter is not to ruin the opportunity for the county to showcase itself during the Olympic Games.

That's the view of the county's High Sheriff, Michael Bax, who said some mums are to blame letting their kids toss fast-food wrappers out of car windows, and he is calling on every Kent resident to have some "pride" in their home.

He said: "The litter on Kent's rural roads is becoming a negative and noticeably regular topic of conversation.

"From June onwards, Kent will be one of the gateways to the Olympics and the county owes it to itself to make a serious effort to clean up its act."

Mr Bax is also senior partner at chartered surveyors BTF Partnership. He acts for landowners, farmers and rural estates across the county.

He realises litter may not be top of the agenda for many people, but he added: "There are plenty of more important things to worry about, but as far as I am concerned, the county's roads are in a fair old pickle, and are as bad as they have been for a long time.

"The reason I feel it is appropriate to bring this up now is because we have the run in to the Olympics with Kent being the gateway to the Games, and it would be a pity if the county doesn't look good.

"I am told pretty much all the accommodation has been booked and a lot of that is in rural areas, and it is those areas that are pretty bad.

"The second thing is Natural England has published their Countryside Code and it was that which set me on this trail.

"When I was a kid the country code was widely marketed; things like shut gates, don't start fires and pick up litter, all that sort of thing.

"When I was young, we all knew it. Nowadays, I think it has disappeared, which is why Natural England has republished it. I think this is a great time to clean up and learn the countryside code again."

Mr Bax's family can trace its roots back some 600 years in Kent and has been farming for all but 200 years of that time.

He said: "I think people's morale will be better if they are not living in a sordid environment.

"I am thinking of various country lanes that I know where every time one goes back, there are new McDonald's cartons and mugs along the side of the road.

"It is quite clear this is a minority of the population – it is one or two mums who go to McDonald's for burgers and so on, and before they get home, they say to their kids 'chuck the kit out of the window'."

Mr Bax, from Shadoxhurst, said: "I think there needs to be a change



KEEP KENT TIDY: Michael Bax wants people to look after the Kent countryside

in people's mindset when it comes to leaving rubbish behind. It would be nice if we could all have a bit more pride in our county. This small minority are making a terrible mess.

"We need to enter into the spirit of keeping Kent clean.

"Not only will picking up litter keep Kent looking beautiful but it will also

help remove a dangerous hazard to farm animals and wildlife.

"As High Sheriff of Kent, can I please ask the county to practice these basic principles at every level in the community, both young and old.

"Kent is a wonderful county – let's reverse the bad habits of the minority and show our county to the world."

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FOOD

Berry big fruit anticipated as wet weather delays harvest

By Chrissie Daniels

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COLD and wet weather has played havoc with farmers and their planting and harvests this year – and now they're warning the popular pick-your-own season will almost certainly be delayed as a result.

But while the weather may have an impact on the number of soft fruit such as strawberries and raspberries, their size is likely to be bigger.

Managing partner for Sittingbourne's Chilton Manor Farm, Graham Epsley, said: "Fruit size will increase so crop size may not be so adversely affected, but it has delayed the crop flowering times and hence the start of our picking season."

"Also, because of the persistent rain and cold weather it has affected the pollinating bees and insects as they don't work in the rain."

"If the strawberries aren't ripe I can't sell them. But as long as it does stop raining soon and the sun comes out I think our pick your own customers will reap the benefits with lots of full flavour, extra large and extra juicy fruits."

And the picture elsewhere in the county is similar.

David Knight, from Pippens Farm in Pembury, near Tunbridge Wells, grows plums, cherries and apples and says his farm is running two to



LEFT TO

GROW: The poor weather means the growing season has slowed, so farmers are expecting to pick bigger, juicier fruit

three weeks behind – but he won't know the full effects until the start of June.

He said: "The lack of pollination to the apples and plums could lead to some poor varieties. Sales of fruit have been delayed and if it's not sunny people don't want to come out and pick."

"I hope it will get better but the weather is not looking like it is having a good effect at the moment."

Laura Tuley, from Stanhill Farm, Wilmington, said the planting of strawberry crops has been

delayed by three weeks and their asparagus has taken a hit.

She said: "The only crop that has really been affected is our asparagus. We should be cutting it every day if conditions are suitable but where it has been colder, some weeks we have only managed to cut it twice. But you will never find a farmer that is happy with the weather."

The good news is the strawberries for Wimbledon will be ripe on time.

Hugh Lowe Farms in Mereworth, near Maidstone, has produced the strawberries for the event for 20 years and is confident it will have plenty to go around.

Managing director, Marion Regan, said: "After such a warm March we thought the season was going to be early but a very wet and cold April did slow plant growth – so picking has started a little later."

"The weather has certainly made some tasks around the farm much harder, but because all our soft fruit crops are protected from the rain and cold by tunnel covers, we are able to carry on picking good quality fruit."

"Luckily the crops timed to peak during Wimbledon – and during the Olympics – have grown really well, so there will be plenty of delicious Kentish strawberries available at the height of this summer."

NEWS IN BRIEF

➔ Meet the managers

COMMUTERS wanting to quiz railway chiefs have the chance to do so next week at London's Victoria station.

Senior management from Southeastern will be on the concourse on Thursday, May 24, between 8am and 10am to answer travellers' questions about the service.

Anyone wishing to put their questions to the train operators, should head to the main platform concourse.

➔ Woman stuck in mud

SHEERNESS lifeboat crews sprang into action on Wednesday after reports of someone getting stuck in the mud.

The lifeboat launched at around 4.20pm as reports a woman was stuck in mud near Rochester Bridge were received.

But by the time the crew rushed to the scene teams from Medway, Kent Fire & Rescue had come to the woman's aid and rescued her. The boat and its crew were stood down.

➔ Sponsored walk fun

THE Rotary Club of the Isle of Sheppey will be putting on their walking boots and encouraging others to join them next month for a fundraising walk.

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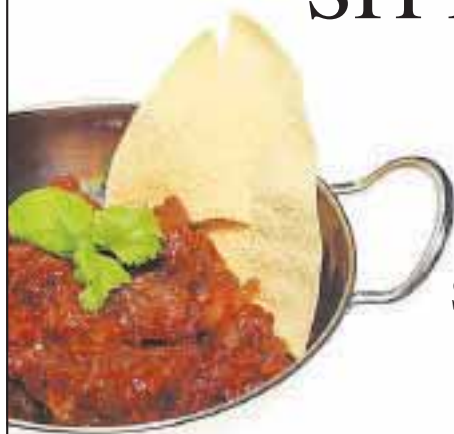
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FUN WAY TO LEARN: Primary school children took part in hands-on science experiments and saw a controlled cola explosion

EDUCATION

Competition's primary focus to prove Science is Fun as pupils visit resource centre

By James Benjamin

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BUDDING young scientists picked up their prizes after taking part in an annual initiative designed to make the topic more fun.

Staged at Sittingbourne's Kent Science Park, the Science is Fun competition is now in its fourth year, with the aim of inspiring youngsters to pursue scientific interests.

And 50 primary school children were recently invited to the park to take part in a prize-giving ceremony and activity afternoon.

They received their prizes from real life scientists who work at Vivacta Ltd, a company based on the park.

The children also took part in some hands-on science experiments in the laboratories of the Kent Science Resource Centre, before being accompanied outside to watch the explosive reaction caused by combining soft mints and diet cola.

In total, there were more than 400 entries from 50 schools across Swale, with the 50 children for the visit being selected at random.

Each school that took part received enough science activity sheets for every

child, containing a dot-to-dot colouring-in page, fun science experiments and interesting facts.

Paul Price, marketing director at Kent Science Park, said: "I was incredibly pleased to see so many of Swale's school children visiting the park."

"The point of our Science is Fun competition is to encourage young people in Swale to engage with science, as they will become the scientists of the future."

"I sincerely hope that over the next ten years we see some of our winners coming back to Sittingbourne to work in high-tech science jobs right here on the park."

MONEY

Council £20,000 out of pocket after paying the wrong Paul

RED-FACED Kent County Council chiefs have admitted an embarrassing error which saw a maintenance fitter with the same name as leader Paul Carter paid £20,000 in allowance payments.

The mistake, which involved a mix-up with bank details, saw a KCC employee at Aylesford Commercial Services Depot called Paul Carter paid the Tory chief's allowance in addition to his own salary for several months in 2007.

County Hall chiefs say the mistake was caused when bank detail changes for the local authority leader were accidentally altered on the other man's record.

A KCC spokeswoman said as soon as the error was discovered action was taken to reclaim the money. But at this point the other

Paul Carter had left the country and is now believed to be in Eastern Europe.

The KCC spokeswoman said only £768.99 was recovered.

"Some money was repaid, but a total of £20,629.01 was not," she said. "The member of staff resigned and then left the country and we have not been able to trace them for repayment."

"The cost of finding this person would be too expensive to the taxpayer, and we have had to reluctantly write the debt off."

"Clearly, if he were to be found in the UK, we would look at reclaiming the outstanding sum."

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Debating parish's future

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On the agenda was everything from speed limits to public transport links, a new GP surgery, new sport pavilion

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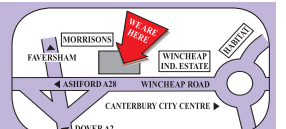
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News



EXPERIENCE: Scouts toured the police station as part of work towards their community badge

COMMUNITY

Scouts learn about the law during police station tour

By James Benjamin
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A GROUP of Scouts from Sheerness found themselves in police cells recently after they came face-to-face with law-enforcing officers.

But the good news is that they weren't put under lock and key for committing a crime or causing a disturbance, just given a guided tour of the facilities and a taste of what it would be like if they were to run foul of the law.

Ten Scouts from the 8th Sheppey Scout Group were given a tour of Sheerness police station and held a question and answer session with Sergeant Carli Deacon and police community support officer Terry Hanlon of Kent Police.

The tour was part of the group's work towards gaining their community badge.

Officers from the Sheerness neighbourhood team have already attended a number of sessions with the Scouts as part of their ongoing work towards

achieving the badge, and the Scouts are also planning a 'community clear-up day' as part of their project.

Sgt Deacon said: "It's great to see kids of such a young age putting so much thought and energy into their work."

"As police officers we work with, and on behalf of, the community every day and I hope the advice and sessions we have held with the Scouts will stand them in good stead to attain their community badge."

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CRIME

Prisoners warn young people about trials of life behind bars

By James Benjamin

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YOUNGSTERS whose poor behaviour has been brought to the attention of police got to experience life 'on the inside' last week.

As part of an ongoing initiative run by Swale Community Safety Partnership, the scheme brings persistent troublemakers face-to-face with serving prisoners as a 'wake-up call' as to where their nuisance behaviour could lead them.

Youngsters on the cusp of entering the criminal justice system were given the opportunity to speak with inmates close in age to them and ask what it is like behind bars.

The scheme is designed to allow young people who risk a prison sentence should their behaviour continue to hear first hand what prison is like and encourage them to alter their future.

Inmates from Her Majesty's Youth Offending Institute Cookhamwood, the south east's



WAKE-UP CALL: The initiative aims to shock youngsters away from a life of crime

main detention centre for under 18's, were brought to Sittingbourne police station and given the opportunity to speak freely with some of Swale's more prolific troublemakers.

Along with their parents, four people aged nine to 16 from Sheerness and Sittingbourne whose escalating anti-social behaviour had brought them into contact with police, were given an honest and realistic view of life on the inside.

Judy Unsworth, joint family liaison officer for the Swale Community Safety Unit, and project co-ordinator, said: "The

concept of the scheme is around early intervention and highlighting the harsh realities of prison to deter those whose behaviour has come to our attention.

"If we can prevent people becoming involved in crime then that not only benefits the community but also helps the future prospects of the young people we are working with. I'm very grateful to the prison service for their continued involvement and support, and we will continue to identify young people who would benefit from this scheme."

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News

HEALTH

Clinic is a stroke of good luck as it helps reduce risk of death

By Chris Britcher

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SUFFERERS of mini-strokes are getting some of the best treatment in the UK courtesy of a clinic serving patients across Swale and Medway.

The TIA (Transient Ischaemic Attack) open clinic is run by Medway Community Healthcare.

Since last December, it has treated patients who have suffered a mini-stroke within 24 hours, assessing and treating them.

And it has a 100 per cent assessment rate – far exceeding the Department of Health's 60 per cent target.

Strokes occur when the supply of blood to the brain is interrupted.

Serious strokes can kill or cause paralysis.

Those suffering mini-strokes, also known as TIAs, often only experience them for a matter of minutes, but puts them at high risk of a more serious attack.

The TIA open clinic means



URGENT: After a mini-stroke a patient is at significant risk of suffering a more serious stroke

patients who visit their GP following a suspected TIA can then immediately attend for a full assessment and begin treatment to prevent a stroke.

This is vital because in the 48 hours following a TIA.

Trudie France, consultant stroke practitioner for Medway Community Healthcare, said: "Symptoms of a TIA are very similar to a stroke and anyone experiencing them should go immediately to A&E.

"However, unlike a stroke, symptoms of a TIA clear up quickly, so often people make an appointment with their GP instead of going to A&E, which

THE SIGNS

If you suspect a TIA or stroke act FAST.

Face The face may have fallen on one side, the person may not be able to smile or their mouth or eye may have drooped.

Arm The person with the suspected stroke may not be able to raise both their arms and keep them there because of arm weakness or numbness.

Speech: There may be slurred speech.

Time: You should dial 999 immediately if you see any of these signs or symptoms.

puts them at increased risk of more serious damage."

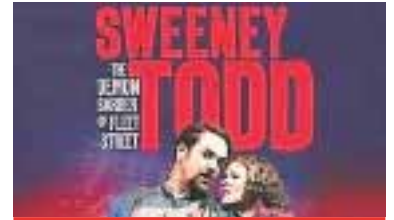
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OPINION

Police privatisation a real threat

Ian Pointon, Kent Police Federation chairman, issues a warning against a cuts programme which could lead to privatisation of some police roles

WHENEVER I talk about police privatisation and the inherent threat to policing by consent, I am often met with a mixture of shock, horror and disbelief.

Such reactions are hardly surprising as there is a total absence of public debate about privatisation.

There should be, but it is happening in an opaque, piece-meal way; unless you are 'in the know' it is difficult to assemble the pieces.

Policing is being subjected to 20 per cent budget cuts that will result in 500 fewer police officers and 1,000 fewer police staff in Kent alone; yet policing hasn't surrendered any of its responsibilities and functions.

It's business as usual – just with considerably fewer people.

This creates a service delivery gap and, in turn, an economic opportunity for the private sector to step in.

In other police forces privatisation is already happening for

HR, payroll, control rooms and custody suites. This is all done in the name of keeping police officers on the street.

That's laudable many will say, streamlining what they term the 'back office' to bolster the frontline.

Now look at what is happening in Surrey and West Midlands Police Forces where they are actively engaging with the private sector, inviting bids for police roles such as neighbourhood patrol, crime investigation and managing high-risk offenders. These aren't back office roles. By any definition they are frontline police roles.

South Yorkshire Police are intent on rebadging their PCSOs as 'local beat officers' and coralling police officers into 'task teams' to be deployed when police powers or force needs to be exercised.

They are effectively removing police officers from any ordinary contact with the public.

Now link this to Tom Winsor's recommendation for a fitness test for police officers, a flawed recommendation based on occupational health figures from the Metropolitan Police.

If you base your evidence on a doctor's surgery you will conclude the entire world is ill.

There is a clear desire for every officer to be ready for confrontation. Why? As the number of police officers reduces, the 'softer' elements of frontline policing will be left to the private sector, PCSOs or other agencies until they too are privatised. What will be left for police officers? Confrontation and enforcement.

Is privatisation happening in Kent? No, but how long before it does? How long before the cuts force the newly elected Police and Crime Commissioners into the arms of the private sector?

But does all this really matter? Not only does it matter, it



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To gain and maintain that consent, policing has to be imbedded in our daily lives

should be of huge concern to everyone.

When Sir Robert Peel established policing he chose a specific model; he chose policing by the people for the people; he chose policing by consent; he modelled it as a civil not a military authority.

To gain and maintain that consent, policing has to be imbedded as an intrinsic part of all our daily lives and not just rolled out when force or coercion is required.

It is imperative that policing continues to be accountable to the public and not to shareholders.

On May 10, 35,000 off-duty police officers – more than 400 from Kent – marched in protest through the streets of London. They didn't march over pay and pensions. They marched to protest against the cuts to and the privatisation of policing.

They marched to preserve policing by consent.

KOS COMMENT

Is privatisation the future for our force?

IT'S doubtful anyone would want to be standing in the shoes of Kent Police's management right now.

With massive budget cuts, but no let up on pressure to retain policing as we know it, it's an unenviable task.

That's why the force should be applauded for managing, so far, to steer clear of any form of privatisation.

But it's quite right Kent Police Federation chairman Ian Pointon should address what seems to be the inevitable.

Other forces are already outsourcing services and it's likely our own will have to consider it at some point. Plans have already been unveiled to shut police stations, so it's hard to see how privatisation will not cross the new police commissioner's mind at some point.

Keep it clean for 2012

WE LIVE in a beautiful county and yet some seem intent on wrecking it through sheer laziness. How hard is it really to put rubbish in the bin?

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NO Estuary Airport

Boris needs to look elsewhere

THE estuary airport would involve the ripping up of a nature area. Another area eaten up by human stupidity and wasting billions of pounds.

How Boris Johnson got back in as London Mayor, even if you are a staunch Conservative, is amazing.

Manston has been there for years, with long runways ideal for development.

Adrian Ottley, Birchington

WE WERE delighted to read that you are joining the fight against the proposed airport.

So much has already been written it is almost impossible to find something new, beyond the fact it cannot be allowed to go ahead.

We have emailed Boris many, many times, as have

our friends. We were particularly disgusted to see that schoolchildren are being told to write in favour of it.

In the 20 years living in our house we have seen our immediate area destroyed, every blade of grass built on.

How many trees have been cut down at the Black Lion for a few weeks of Olympics?

Kent is overpopulated. If the population continues to rise at such an impossible rate, surely it is more important to secure quality of life.

Anita and Malcolm White, Gillingham

I DEFINITELY support the campaign to STOP the estuary airport.

Diana Woodward, Tunbridge Wells.

WITH so many under-used airports in the South East, especially Manston, we do not need a new hub airport for London with all the disruption to thousands of Kent residents' lives and homes.

We do not have the infrastructure to cope with it.

Please can someone in authority tell Boris Johnson he is the elected Mayor of London and not the Mayor of South East England and certainly not the Prime Minister.

What right has he to interfere with Kent without us having a vote for his office?

After all, London of old has already stolen parts of Kent so maybe he plans to build his empire by annexing the rest of the county.

P Hughes, Broadstairs

I WOULD like to support your campaign opposing plans to build an airport in the Thames Estuary.

The noise that people and our wildlife will be exposed to, both during the development of any airport and then from incoming and outgoing flights will be devastating.

Noise complaints are a huge problem for any airport. I notice that words like ecological damage and quality

of life are mentioned, but noise is not. The impact of noise should not be underestimated.

You may be interested to know that Boris Johnson was shortlisted for my Noise Tzar Blue Mu Award, announced on International Noise Awareness Day, April 25.

He was not chosen as my final winner, but this is because I felt the idea of the Thames Estuary airport was something unlikely to be a reality.

Now, after reading your paper and finding out that following his re-election Boris has made a direct plea to David Cameron to consider his proposal. There is real danger this could come to fruition.

This would be a disaster and therefore I would like to join your fight to oppose this plan.

Val Weedon MBE, by email

WHILE I agree that Boris's plan for an estuarine airport is bonkers, the resistance to using Manston is criminal.

Longest runway in Europe with all the equipment and

already one of the largest air cargo airports in the UK.

The high-speed train goes past it and a Manston Parkway station is on the drawing board which would put London just over an hour away.

It is a no-brainer but you, the local nimbys who moved near Manston and then start complaining, Boris and Government have a problem with Manston which I have yet to get to the bottom of.

Lord Adonis went silent for 45 seconds when asked in front of an audience at Kent University why not use Manston and categorically refused to answer the question put again and again by Sir Robert Worcester.

Ian R Swingland OBE, by email

...but maybe he's not wrong

I WANT to tell you how annoyed I was when I read

your article deriding the proposed estuary airport.

Of course I respect your views on this matter, but why cannot you respect mine?

No public debate has yet been had and you have no right to assume you are blessed with divine wisdom.

Since HM Dockyard Chatham closed in 1984, the Medway Towns have never recovered.

Chatham is now an absolute sink, full of undesirables.

Just stand at the junction of Military Road and the High Street for a few moments during business hours and you will see exactly what I mean.

Without even changing the direction of your glance you will see every race, colour and creed passing by, together with convoys of teenage females, either pregnant, or pushing infants in buggies.

The proposed estuary airport means proper regeneration, modernisation, and prosperity. Property prices will rise as will employment opportunities. I say three cheers for Sir Norman Foster.

RJ Church, via email

I CANNOT support the campaign to stop an airport being built in the estuary.

I am a wildlife photographer and a great supporter of Kent having been the Kentish Fare and Produced in Kent manager.

But the airport is required and this is a perfect site.

I do not believe it is the wildlife lovers who are supporting this. If they are they know very little on how adjustable and adaptable wildlife is particularly birds.

I think it is the posh folk who do not want their silence and space spoilt and are using nature as a reason.

Take a close look at Nairobi National Park which is right on the airport and see how the wildlife, big and small have adapted to this.

Secondly, look at the Nasa site in Florida. This launch site is on a national park which has outstanding birdlife.

Now let's look at the biggest advantage to the population living in Medway. Dare I say that Medway is becoming a tip and that it offers no future for the next generation.

Building an airport will give job opportunities to the unemployed, it will bring financial resources and income to these towns. Based on this I cannot accept the proposal to stop the airport.

Rob Weaver, via email

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Which way to turn now over car lease problem?

Q THIS is probably an unusual question. I am self-employed, with my own small business, and I lease a car from a company that has gone into administration. Does this mean my lease automatically ends? Could the car simply be repossessed? I should emphasise my own business is not in any trouble, and payments for the car are bang up-to-date.

A WHEN a business goes into administration it is not quite as bad as if it goes into receivership or liquidation. The administrators will try to keep it going while they look for a buyer who will take over some or all of the company and its clients. If a new owner is found, your lease will continue and nothing will change. But if nobody comes forward to take over the business, then the leasing company's assets will have to be turned into cash for the benefit of the company's creditors – and those assets will include your car. The administrators should keep you informed, and if the worst comes to the worst, they should simply ask you to arrange the return of the car. It is highly unlikely that anyone will simply turn up one day and demand the keys without warning, so do keep up whatever payments are due under your leasing contract.

Q I AM writing on behalf of my brother-in-law, who has been made redundant. He has been told he can start to draw his occupational pension now, or he can wait until he is 65. His wife works, so they could afford to delay his pension if that is best. What do you recommend?

A THE paperwork you sent me shows that your brother-in-law is in a final salary pension scheme. The normal retirement age is 65, but he is 60 now and could draw his pension immediately. However, if he draws the pension now, it will be reduced because the pension fund will be paying for five years longer than planned. On the other hand, if he waits then his pension entitlement should rise to keep pace with inflation over the next five years. Unless men in his family tend not to live to a good old age, he will do better to wait for his pension as long as he and his wife can afford to do so.

Q CAN you please explain the legal rights of grown-up stepchildren when their stepfather dies? Are they entitled to inherit anything, even if there is no will?

A IF THE stepfather leaves a will, then the stepchildren are just as entitled to a bequest as any other beneficiary. But when someone

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dies intestate – without a will – the law lays down who gets what, and stepchildren receive nothing. They have no automatic rights unless the deceased parent actually adopted them, in which case they are treated the same as the parent's other children.

Q FOUR years ago we received a letter from our life assurance company warning us that our endowment mortgage policy was likely to fall short of its target. We complained to the Financial Ombudsman that we had expected the policy to pay enough to cover our mortgage, but he rejected the complaint as we had signed something years ago that said that policy projections were an estimate and not a guarantee. Now the policy has matured and we are more than £20,000 short of the sum needed to repay our mortgage, so can we ask the ombudsman to reopen the case as we have been proved right?

A THE ombudsman will not reconsider the original verdict, but this does not stop you bringing a civil court action if you think the life company misled you. However, I admit I am puzzled. You say you have been proved right, but all that has happened is the life company's forecast of a shortfall has turned out to be correct. The key point is whether or not you accepted this was a risk, and if there is evidence you agreed the payout was not guaranteed, then I suspect any court would agree with the ombudsman's decision.

Q HAS the Government withdrawn its safety guarantee from Northern Rock savers? If so, would we be well advised to move our money out?

A THE guarantee began when the government rescued Northern Rock in 2007, but it ended in 2010, except for fixed-term accounts that were already in force. Treat it now like any other bank or building society, covered by the industry-wide safety net for up to £85,000 of savings

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Energy firm fuels fears of another hike in prices

By **Adam Aiken**

MyMoney 24 editor

THERE are fears householders will be hit by further rises in the cost of gas and electricity after one of the country's biggest suppliers said its costs were continuing to mount.

Centrica, which owns British Gas, recently said the trend for energy costs "remained upwards", and it said wholesale gas prices for next winter were up 15pc.

The company – one of the 'big six' suppliers – said this and other costs would add £50 to the cost of supplying the average household this year.

The past couple of months have seen price cuts across the industry. But all the major suppliers cut either their gas tariffs or their electricity tariffs – not both.

And although those cuts helped ease the pressure on hard-pressed consumers, they failed to negate earlier price rises.

British Gas, for example, had put up its gas bills by 18pc in August and electricity by 16pc.

Any suggestion that there are further hikes on the horizon will alarm the company's 16 million domestic customers, as well as those of rival suppliers.

"The prospect of further rises in fuel bills will be a huge worry for many people who are already struggling to cope with last year's increases," said Gillian Guy, chief executive at Citizens Advice.

"Many household budgets are at breaking point and we urge British Gas to think about its customers and the extra pressure any rise will put on their finances.

"Energy companies need to keep prices as low as possible to avoid more people being pushed into fuel poverty or debt."

Audrey Gallacher, director of energy at Consumer Focus, said: "Consumers will need clear evidence that price rises are warranted if they are to stomach



BURNING ISSUE: Centrica, which owns British Gas, said energy costs will rise

further increases to their bills.

"People simply don't know whether what they are asked to pay is fair. The perception is that suppliers are quick to pass on high price rises and slow to pass on small price cuts.

"Much greater transparency on costs, pricing and profits is needed for customers to know whether they're getting a fair deal.

"Wholesale prices go up and down, but customers need to know this is accurately reflected in their bills.

"With additional costs also set to be added to our bills, to make our energy supply greener and more secure, it is essential that help is put in place for those who need it.

"We believe extra revenue the Government receives from carbon taxes should be used to help the millions of people who are being hit by rising costs."

Tom Lyon, at Uswitch.com, said: "This is deeply worrying as consumers are still struggling to come to terms with the average £224 increase in bills from the end of 2010,

and they enjoyed only a £41 reduction at the beginning of this year.

"Any further increases will see even more people seriously struggling to afford their bills.

"We would urge all suppliers to hold fire for as long as possible and to ensure that if they do move, it is only in response to a sustained upward trend. It's also important that they recognise the impact it will have on their customers.

"For consumers, it's clear that suppliers are warning of trouble ahead.

"I would urge them to prepare for the worst and to ensure that they are on a competitively-priced energy plan and to make their homes as energy-efficient as possible by taking up one of the many subsidised insulation offers available on the market."

Energy suppliers themselves have pots of money to spend on helping with energy-efficiency.

Mr Lyon said: "They are moving towards a deadline to have spent it, which means that many households could be in line to benefit."

Taxman giveth with one hand and taketh away with the other as millions face PAYE changes

UP TO 3.5 million people are set to receive tax refunds from this week, but as many as 1.6 million face bills for underpaid tax from HM Revenue and Customs.

Those who are due rebates will get average windfalls of £379, while the typical shortfall for those who have not paid enough is £537, under Pay As You Earn (PAYE) adjustments for the 2011-12 tax year.

The bills and refunds, which are a normal part of the PAYE process, are being handed out two months earlier than last year, meaning people will get their money back more quickly as well as knowing exactly what they owe, HMRC said.

Under PAYE, a tax code is allocated to each taxpayer to ensure the right amount of tax is deducted at source, but people can end up

paying too much or too little when their circumstances change and HMRC is not told.

About 85pc of people generally pay the correct amount of tax during the year, but end-of-year adjustments are made for the 15pc who do not.

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Labour call for investigation into Regional Growth Fund 'shambles'

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THE fund which is set to inject £35 million into businesses in east Kent has been slammed in an official report.

Labour has called for a Commons committee to investigate the running of the £2.4 billion Regional Growth Fund (RGF) after criticism by the National Audit Office (NAO).

Last week Business Week reported how the county's business community had welcomed the cash input as a boost for an area hit by the withdrawal of drugs manufacturer Pfizer.

Expansion East Kent has promised to create 5,000 new jobs across Canterbury, Shepway, Dover and Thanet, as well as invest £5 million into transport infrastructure.

But the body providing the cash is now under severe criticism.

The NAO report says the fund, introduced 15 months ago, is likely to create just 41,000 jobs across the UK – rather than the 328,000 the Government claimed.

It further says those jobs will come at a cost to the taxpayer of £33,000 – an increase of £5,000 per job over employment opportunities created by the previous Regional Development Agencies.

And in some cases the NAO said it had cost as much as £200,000 for a single job to be created.



ATTACKING: Shadow skills minister Gordon Marsden

Labour now says the Public Accounts Committee, headed by Margaret Hodge, should launch an investigation.

Leading the call is shadow skills minister

Gordon Marsden, who last year was keynote speaker at Business Week Live – organized by Archant KOS Media.

"The report underlines our criticism that the RGF has been shambolic, has been improvised in nature, and is a failure in administration," he said.

The report states: "The fund has not optimized value for money because a significant proportion of the £1.4bn (the sum already given out as £1bn is still to be spent) was allocated to projects that offered relatively few jobs for the money invested."

The report further claims: "There was scope to have generated more jobs relative to the amount of grant awarded" and applying tighter controls on allocation "could have created thousands more jobs from the same resources".

"There has been very little transparency over the bid selection process and we have been stonewalled in our enquiries. That is not good enough," said Mr Marsden.

"We also want to see some regional input into the selection process. This is a fund for the regions, but is being micro-managed by Whitehall."

Business secretary Vince Cable said: "We have already put in place some of the NAO's recommendations, such as making more administrative resources available, which means projects are being processed even faster."

LONDON 2012

Olympic Torch bearer sums up his feelings

ACCOUNTANCY company Reeves says that employee Phil Reynolds will be running as a Torchbearer in the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay.

Reynolds will be running in Westgate-on-Sea on Thursday July 19.

He said: "I'm very honoured to have been selected for this opportunity and have had a great response from friends, family and clients.

"To be honest, the whole experience has still not dawned on me yet. I don't think it will hit me until you start to see pictures of the Torch going round the country".

Clive Stevens, managing partner at Reeves which has offices in Canterbury and Chatham, said: "I was delighted that Phil was chosen. He deserves this chance in recognition of all his community and charitable efforts, especially in raising money for Demelza when he was one of the Reeves skydivers".

He was nominated through Lloyds TSB, Presenting Partner of the London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay.

A Lloyds spokesman added: "We are delighted that Phil has been confirmed as a Lloyds TSB Olympic Torchbearer. We are proud to be bringing the excitement of the Olympic Torch Relay and are looking forward to seeing each and every one of our Torchbearers representing the work they do in their local community."

CONFERENCE

Dragon's Den star's free words of business wisdom as B2B meeting

THERE are not many occasions when an audience can come along for free and hear from one of the country's most successful businessmen.

Richard Farleigh, the former entrepreneur from BBC's Dragon's Den, is the keynote speaker at Kent Invicta Chamber's B2B conference at Ashford International Hotel on July 3.

Since the mid-1990s, he has been involved in backing more early-stage companies than anyone else in the UK.

His philosophy has been described as: "When Farleigh invests in a firm, he checks the technology, the competition, customer endorsements and management teams, because there is more technology around than there is good management."

When Farleigh started his career in an investment bank he did not believe he could out-perform the markets.

As a former economist and

chess player, it seemed to him to be just gambling.

However, he began to believe market prices were predictable and within a few years his trading desk dealt in hundreds of millions of dollars.

He developed a repeatable methodology based on observation and reasoning and the rest as they say is history.

Aged 34, he had made more than enough money to retire.

Chamber chief executive Jo James said: "If you are thinking of starting up a business, if you are running a successful business, or if you are struggling to stay afloat – not unlikely in today's economic climate – there is always something to be gained from listening to somebody like Richard.

"He is a prime example of an entrepreneur who can rise to the taunt of 'put your money where your mouth is'; you can be sure that what he says is valuable."

RENEWABLES

Special air service for wind farm employees

ONE of the major companies involved in the construction of London Array, the world's largest offshore wind farm located off the Thanet coast, has commissioned a weekly scheduled service operating from Manston Airport for some of its workers.

The charter operated by JoinJet, part of Sun-Air of Scandinavia, a subsidiary of British Airways, is operating on behalf of Siemens and will fly senior engineers from Manston to Billund in Denmark. The journey, aboard a 32-seat Dornier 328 will take approximately 90 minutes.

Chris Randle, project manager offshore wind at Siemens, said: "Everybody involved in the London Array project is working to very tight deadlines to bring phase 1 of this exciting project online and deliver renewable energy for 470,000 households, which is two-thirds of all the homes in Kent and Medway.

"The air service will make it possible to move essential staff quickly and efficiently between the construction site and our offices in Denmark. It will now make it possible for our staff to be at home in Denmark within two hours of coming ashore at Ramsgate."

Charles Buchanan, chief executive of Manston Airport, which is currently up for sale, said: "We are delighted to play our part in supporting the growth of the renewable sector in Kent and in particular the London Array wind farm."

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Outlet fashions big rise in Euro shoppers looking to buy British

By Nick Ames

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BUSINESS from across the English Channel is providing a major boost for by McArthurGlen Ashford's Designer Outlet.

Top designer UK heritage collections are proving an attraction for shoppers from the Continent and the outlet has embarked on a large-scale advertising campaign in Dover.

Latest figures show the number of shoppers from abroad is up 52 per cent on last year at McArthurGlen, with France and Germany best represented.

Visitors from Holland, Luxembourg and Belgium are also making an increasing number of visits to the outlet, using the Eurostar which stops at Ashford International Station.

British attire from brands including Ted Baker, Kurt Geiger and Jaeger are among the most popular purchases.

David Maddison, centre manager said: "Following the success of last year's advertising campaign, which was viewed by more than 12 million tourists, the centre has seen a gradual rise in the number of overseas shoppers."

"In 2011, tourists alone represented 15 per cent of total shopper numbers and 20 per cent of spend. Evidence suggests it is the strong British heritage brands such as Henri Lloyd, Jaeger and Phase Eight attracting visitors, as they seek out quintessentially British style at value for money prices."

This month the outlet centre staged a fashion show on the White Cliffs of Dover to further publicise its brands.

Style consultant Deborah Eastlake said: "We styled the shoot to emulate the look overseas shoppers are seeking when they come to the centre. Many of them are in search of the distinctive British style associated with modern fashion icons such as Kate Middleton, Emma Watson and Ed Westwick."

"They're keen to emulate a look that's preppy and on-trend – products that will add an element of je ne sais quoi to their existing wardrobe."



HIGH FASHION: Ashford's McArthurGlen Designer Outlet staged a fashion show on top of the White Cliffs of Dover

SECURITY

Director's role in safe hands

SECURITY consultants The Inkerman Group has announced that Michael Allen, MBE has been appointed to its board of directors as an executive director. This comes as the company continues on a period of significant growth and business consolidation.

Having worked for the Ashford-based business for the last three years, he has already brought significant operational and management experience, particularly with regard to the company's challenge of global expansion.

His team delivers the company's key services such as emergency evacuations, travel safe, tracking, 24/7 support and response to internationally-based clients and operationally deployed teams throughout the world, currently including the Middle East region, specialist event security, close protection, CCTV monitoring and specialist guarding services.

In 2002, Mr Allen was awarded an MBE in the Queen's Birthday Honours list for his outstanding commitment and contribution to explosive ordnance disposal in the military division.

Mr Allen said: "I am extremely pleased to be invited to join the board at this time; it is an exciting opportunity, in particularly challenging times."

"The Inkerman Group has great potential – it continues to grow and develop its client base and specialist products and services globally. This is a particularly important growth time for the business as the company continues to secure new contracts."

Kent hit as well-known high street brands announce shop closures

FASHION chain French Connection has put up the 'For Sale' sign outside 14 of its shops in large shopping centres across the UK – including its Bluewater outlet.

Poor performance in the second half of 2011 is one of the reasons for the move.

The brand, once famous for its FCUK branded T-shirts, has been struggling in recent years with City analysts and fashion gurus saying it has lost its way.

French Connection has hired property agent Ashley Phillips Lahaise to sell the leases. It will only close shops if another retailer takes over the leases.

The up-market high street fashion house, which has 71 shops in the UK and Ireland and 46 concessions in the UK

and Europe, has fared better in emerging markets and plans 12 shops in China and 15 in India.

Its chief executive and chairman, Stephen Marks, is conducting a review of the business following the "most difficult winter season I have seen in all the years I have been in business".

Its UK and European retail business made a loss of £8.2 million in the year to January 31, while profits plunged 32 per cent to £5m. As part of the review, it sold off its Nicole Farhi business last year.

French Connection shares, which hit 487p in 2004, closed down 0.25p to 42.75p.

And in a further blow for high street retailers cards and

gifts retailer Clinton Cards, which has branches across the county, says it expects to enter administration.

The retailer is set to become the latest casualty on the high street after its biggest supplier American Greetings bought up loans from its banks and promptly called them in.

Clinton Cards said in a statement announcing the suspension of trading in its shares, it had been in breach of some conditions attached to £35m of loans and that it was not in a position to repay them.

The group said it had been informed by Barclays and Royal Bank of Scotland, which had given it temporary waivers over the breaches, had sold the loans.

LEGAL

Lynn gives up newspaper career to take on the law

KENT-based Buss Murton Law LLP has appointed solicitor Angharad Lynn to the family team. She will divide her time between the firm's offices in Tunbridge Wells, Cranbrook and Dartford.

Prior to her appointment Lynn spent more than two years at Cripps Harries Hall in Tunbridge Wells and has also spent several years working on national newspapers.

She said: "After a number of years working for newspapers such as the Daily Express and the Mail on Sunday, I decided to combine starting a family with retraining for a career in the law. After a part-time conversion course and a two and a half year training contract I am glad to have made the leap into law."

Alan Williams, managing partner, said: "We are delighted that Angharad has joined the team. "There are likely to be some interesting developments for family law solicitors over the coming year as the Government pushes through legislation to allow gay marriage which will be watched with interest."

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Training, courses and careers

University wins gold for creativity in Olympics role

A CULTURAL Olympiad scheme led by the University for the Creative Arts (UCA) has won a prestigious London 2012 award.

The Creative Campus Initiative (CCI) saw off more than 230 entries to pick up the gold medal for best creative cultural project at the prestigious Podium Awards in London.

The one-off event recognised the role colleges and universities have played in delivering this year's Olympic and Paralympic Games. UCA, which has campuses in Rochester, Maidstone, and Canterbury, has led the CCI, a consortium of 11 universities in the South East, since 2009.

It became the country's largest higher education programme in support of the Cultural Olympiad and has seen 15 of its projects recognised with official London 2012 Inspire marks. It has created more than 100 events, ranging from exhibitions, performances and school visits to large-scale sports art, such as the Big Swim, where participants swam in a cloud of Olympic colours.

Professor Seymour Roworth-Stokes, UCA Pro vice-chancellor and chair of the CCI steering group, said: "We set out four years ago with a very simple aim: to exploit the cultural assets and resources of universities in the South East in support of the Cultural Olympiad. Since then, we have reached more than half a million people by bringing sport and art together as a creative response to the Olympic and Paralympic values. Of course, legacy is about people and this award will help ensure we inspire the next generation of artist, designers and creative practitioners."

Computer skills classes help to get adults online

CUSTOMERS of one of the county's biggest housing associations have had the chance to hone their IT skills thanks to some free training sessions.

The lessons were held by mhs Homes as part of Adult Learners' Week, which ran from May 12-18, from the association's express office in High Street, Chatham.

As part of the short sessions, customers were shown how to use email and search engine Google. They were also shown how to create a 'my mhs homes' account, which will allow them to check their rent account, log property repairs and leave comments.

Among those taking part was 68-year-old Iris Witt, from Wayfield, who wanted to use the service from her new mobile phone.

She said: "I've never used a computer before, but I've got a new phone with internet and I thought this would be a good time to learn all about it. It's actually really easy, I'm surprised at how easy it is."

Joining Iris for the short course was Tracey Poole, 41, from Hoo. She said: "It's good just to be able to use a computer and get new skills. It's so easy to use I will be able to help other people get online and show them what it's all about."

Customer service team leader at mhs Homes Emma Dumbrell said: "It is a very simple way to learn how to use a computer, but has enormous benefits.

"It means our customers can contact us at a time that suits them and it gives them skills they can use in other areas."

Football League side is top of the class after signing college terms

IN the cut-throat world of professional football, careers can be over faster than a Messi run or a Drogba dive.

And for many, seeing their dream disappear comes with the added agony of not having the qualifications to fall back on to forge themselves a successful living.

However, a new initiative by North West Kent College and League Two side Gillingham could help ease that problem.

The two have put pen to paper for a new scheme aimed at developing elite footballers along with studying academic qualifications.

North West Kent College, which has sites in both Dartford and Gravesend, has more than eight years' experience working in this field, with a great deal of success.

Gillingham welcomed the partnership and said it sees the deal as a major extension to its recruitment arm under the new Elite Player Performance Plan.

The deal comes just as the club saw first hand how the fickle nature of the sport can change careers in a heartbeat. Last week Andy Heshenthaler left as manager, while five players were also released from the club.

Academy manager Darren Hare said: "When I was approached with the opportunity, I really felt it was something we needed to do.

"Our recruitment of players extends all over Kent, but it will enhance our programme to be able to have a base in north Kent, on the outskirts of London, to give us a chance of competing with the bigger clubs under the new EPPP regulations."

The programme will run initially both at the Dartford site as well as in Medway, and includes a mix of high quality football coaching and training along with a bespoke academic pathway.

Students will have a choice of sports-related qualifications

to study, and the teams will take part in the Conference Youth League wearing the Gills colours, and playing games at the club's training ground at Beeching's Cross, in Gillingham.

Mr Hare added: "Obviously we wanted to embrace all aspects, and to have a say in the football side of things, and the college have welcomed that involvement.

"We know the head coaches on the scheme well and we will watch the players develop with interest, and who knows, if we can get one or two to make the transition from this college academy to our own apprenticeship programme, we will be delighted.

"It also provides us with a better exit and progression strategy for our under-16 players when they are told they are not getting an apprenticeship – sometimes

you can be wrong, and this could be a great place to keep an eye on them too if they wanted to."

Chris Lydon, who is the associate director of sport and leisure at North West Kent College said: "I am delighted to be working in partnership with Gillingham.

"The education and football scheme allows learners aged 16-18 to continue their full-time education whilst developing their football talents under the guidance of Uefa coaches.

"Obviously being in partnership with a professional football club is very exciting and will allow talented young players to pursue their ambitions in football whilst still being able to study.

"I am delighted with the involvement of Gillingham and I particularly look forward to working with Darren and his team as the scheme develops."

To find out more, contact North West Kent College on 0800 074 1447.

TALENT: The deal will give players a sound education as they pursue football dream



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Schools & education

Youngsters are really cooking in National Juniorchef competition

BUDDING cooks have competed for the coveted title of National Juniorchef under the gaze of award-winning celebrity chef Gary Rhodes.

The annual event, held at Thanet College, sees hundreds of school-age entrants from across the UK whittled down to just six finalists based on the strength of their menu.

The finalists then take part in a tense cook-off at Thanet College under the watchful eye of TV chef Gary Rhodes, a former student at the college.

This year marks the 10th event, with entrants required to produce a main course and dessert in three hours.

Mr Rhodes said the contest is a fantastic opportunity for young people to show their passion for cooking and develop important culinary skills.

"The great thing about this competition is how it's inspiring young people," he said.

"They want to cook and not only do they want to cook, they're taking it home, they're experimenting with the dishes."

Thanet College catering student Matthew Cowell took home the 2010 prize.

"I was studying a pre-vocational catering course at the time, but wasn't serious about becoming a chef.

"My feelings changed after winning the competition, I realised just how much I'd learned and how much I enjoyed cooking. I decided it was the career for me."

Students win their fourth victory in Army Skills Challenge

MIDKENT College public services students have battled it out against their rivals to secure a fourth straight win in the annual Army Skills Challenge.

The event, at Sir John Moore Barracks in Shorncliffe, Folkestone, saw colleges and schools from Kent compete for the coveted first place position.

Tasks included an indoor and outdoor assault course, an interactive laser shootout and a timed buggy race.

MidKent College, which has campuses in Medway and Maidstone, lifted the trophy for the fourth year running after finishing the main course in just eight minutes, 23 seconds – almost a minute-and-a-half faster than runners-up Canterbury College.

Programme area leader Katriona Topps said this was testimony to the value of the weekly two-hour fitness sessions undertaken as part of the students' public services course.

She added: "The challenge is an excellent event offering students an insight into army life and keeping those who have already applied for the service motivated until they join.

"It allows for competition between colleges



CONTEST: Colleges and schools competed against each other in the annual army challenge

and schools, and showcases the advantages of taking a public services course in advance of a related career. We believe the calibre of students from MidKent College is high and that events such as this help to equip them with the abilities to meet the needs of future employers."

MidKent College's public services courses prepare students for entry into professions including the police, military and fire service.

Visit www.midkent.ac.uk for more details.

Entrepreneurs in the making show what they're made of in contest

WE'RE used to watching the candidates on BBC's The Apprentice being put through their paces as they battle their way through each task under the watchful eye of Lord Alan Sugar.

But for year nine pupils at Highsted Grammar School in Sittingbourne this pressure became a reality as they took part in an Apprentice-style event, competing in groups to win a bid to cater for a formal dinner.

Set up as entrepreneurs, the youngsters posed as competing catering companies; planning and designing menus, and explaining the supply, and serving of the food. They were judged on their ability to present and deliver a project on time and to budget.

The event was part of Nat-West's MoneySense for Schools, a national, curriculum-based programme of interactive modules, developed by the bank with the help of teachers to teach business and financial skills to youngsters.

Highsted Grammar School teacher Chris Muir, who organised the event, said: "It's very important that our students gain basic money management skills and have the opportunity to develop their entrepreneurial and creative abilities.

"This activity was an extremely practical and fun way of doing this and brought alive what happens in real life."



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PUBLIC/ COMMUNITY APPOINT

Career opportunities at MidKent College

MidKent College based in the Medway Towns and Maidstone is seeking to appoint outstanding individuals in the following areas:

Lecturer in Child Care**Ref: P0395**

Salary: £26,336 - £29,618 pro rata (dependent on qualifications and experience)
18.5 hours per week
Medway

We are looking for knowledgeable and experienced candidates to deliver CACHE Child Care programmes at various levels. The successful candidates will have the ability to motivate students and be flexible and adaptable in their teaching methods. The applicants must have a relevant vocational/academic qualification and have, or be willing to work towards, a teaching qualification. Recent industry experience would be advantageous.

Lecturer in Beauty Therapy**Ref: M0362**

Salary: £26,336 - £29,618 (dependent on qualifications and experience)
37 hours per week
Fixed Term Maternity Cover
Medway Campus

The College is currently looking to recruit a dynamic and enthusiastic Lecturer in the Beauty Department to deliver high quality training and assessment procedures to full and part time learners. The applicants must have a relevant vocational/academic qualification and have or be willing to work towards a teaching qualification. Recent industry experience would be advantageous.

Closing date: 12 noon Wednesday 30th May 2012

For an application pack and further details visit www.midkent.ac.uk or e mail job.applications@midkent.ac.uk. Alternatively you may contact Human Resources on 01634 383102.

The College is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of young people and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Any offer of employment is subject to a Criminal Records Bureau check in accordance with the College procedure.



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Closing date: Friday 25th May 2012
Interview Date: Wednesday 6th June 2012

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Mary Guarnieri - 01843 234252

Closing date for applications Friday 25th May 2012

For job description and application form please contact:
Jo Edwards

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Due to the conditions and complex needs of the pupils at Abbey Court School, continuity and consistency of support is paramount and therefore candidates for all positions will need to commit to the full working hours of the post.

Closing Date: 1st June 2012

For further details and a job description, please contact Linda Taylor, Abbey Court School, Rede Court Road, Strood, Rochester, Kent, ME2 3SP. (Tel: 01634 338236), stating the position for which you are applying.

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Closing date: 25th May 2012
Interviews: 30th May 2012

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PLANNING

Town and Country Planning Acts

The Council is required to give notice of the following applications

12/00796/FUL Cowden Horsmonden Road, Brenchley
- Amendment to application TW/00/00913 to include enlarged garden to incorporate retained wall and drainage; retained farm track to farmhouse and services/bins/Klargester emptying; pillars to be lowered and changed to wooden farm style gates, and removal of condition 2 to allow property to be converted and cold store to be occupied as a separate residential unit (LB)

12/00856/HOUSE 2 St Davids Bridge Cranbrook, Cranbrook And Sissinghurst
- Rear conservatory (LB) (CA)

12/01338/HOUSE 27 Court Road Royal Tunbridge Wells, Culverden
- Single storey replacement rear extension (CA)

12/01300/HOUSE Aspenshaw Chicks Lane, Goudhurst
- Replacement garage/hobbies room/garden store (PROV)

12/01058/FUL Westfield Highgate Hill, Hawkhurst
- Change of use of existing garden room/summer house building to provide small venue hosting workshops and courses (D2 use) TW/11/02431/FUL - Variation of condition 6 to extend Saturday opening times from 09:00- 13:00 to 09:00 - 16:00 (LB)

12/01256/FUL Capel Manor House Grovehurst Lane, Horsmonden
- Retrospective - Vehicle access track (LB)

12/01332/FUL Pearsons Corner Willow Lane, Paddock Wood
- Minor Material Amendments of TW/11/03028/FUL - Extension of time: Demolition of existing chalet bungalow and construction of replacement dwelling (TW/08/01116 refers) changes are increase in height of dwelling, inclusion of dormer windows front and rear elevations, ramp and light well to basement (LB)

12/01313/FUL 8 Calverley Road Royal Tunbridge Wells, Park
- Change of use from A1 (retail) to A2 (financial and professional services) for use as a bank. Part new shop front. Two new ATM machines (CA)

12/01177/HOUSE Holly Cottage Bullingstone Lane, Speldhurst
- Extension of driveway; Removal of bulk gas tank and replace with gas bottles; Screen new gas tanks with oak wooden door; Install pergola (LB)

12/01179/LBC Holly Cottage Bullingstone Lane, Speldhurst
- Listed Building Consent - Extension of driveway; Removal of bulk gas tank and replace with gas bottles; Screen new gas tanks with oak wooden door; Install pergola (LB)

12/01279/LBC 1 The Walks The Green, Speldhurst
- Listed Building Consent - Repositioning of satellite dish on westward facing side of chimney to eastward facing side of chimney towards the roof (LB)

12/01296/HOUSE White Acre Tophill Farm, Speldhurst
- Installation of a conservation rooflight to south (rear) elevation (CA)


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Jim Kehoe
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NOTICE OF THE CONFIRMATION OF A DIRECTION UNDER ARTICLE 4(1) TO WHICH ARTICLE 6 APPLIES

NOTICE is hereby given that Tunbridge Wells Borough Council ("the Authority") has confirmed a Direction made under Article 4(1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 to which Article 6 applies ("the Direction").

The Direction applies to development of the type specified in the First Schedule to this Notice within the area described in the Second Schedule to this Notice.

The effect of the Direction is that permission granted by article 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development Order) 1995 shall not apply to development of the type specified in the First Schedule to this Notice and that such development shall not be carried out within the area specified in the Second Schedule to this Notice unless planning permission is granted by the Authority on an application made to the Authority under Part III of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

A copy of the Direction and of the map defining the area of land covered by it may be seen at the Council's Tunbridge Wells Gateway, 8 Grosvenor Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 2AB between the hours of 9am and 5pm Monday to Friday (except Thursday 9am to 6.30pm) or 9 am and 1.30 pm on Saturday.

The Direction was made by the Authority on 28 February 2012 and came into force in relation to the area specified in the Second Schedule to this Notice on the 3 March 2012. The Direction was confirmed on 14 May 2012 and remains in force in relation to the area specified in the Second Schedule to this Notice.

FIRST SCHEDULE

The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995

SCHEDULE 2 PART 2 - MINOR OPERATIONS

Class A

The erection, construction, maintenance, improvement or alteration of a gate, fence, wall or other means of enclosure.

Class B

The formation, laying out and construction of a means of access to a highway which is not a trunk road or a classified road, where that access is required in connection with permitted development, being development comprised within Class B of Part 2 of Schedule 2.

SCHEDULE 2 PART 4 - TEMPORARY BUILDINGS AND USES

Class B


The use of the land for any purpose for not more than 28 days in total in any calendar year, of which not more than 14 days in total may be for the purposes referred to in paragraph B.2, and the provision on the land of any movable structure for the purpose of the permitted use.

SECOND SCHEDULE

A parcel of land having an area of some 0.9 hectares to the north of Ashurst Hill, Ashurst, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Paul Cummins, Legal Services Manager,
Tunbridge Wells Borough Council,
Town Hall, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 1RS.

Dated: 19 May 2012



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TUNBRIDGE WELLS BOROUGH COUNCIL
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL PERMITTED DEVELOPMENT) ORDER 1995
NOTICE OF THE CONFIRMATION OF A DIRECTION UNDER ARTICLE 4(1) TO WHICH
ARTICLE 5 APPLIES

NOTICE is hereby given that Tunbridge Wells Borough Council ("the Authority") has confirmed a Direction made under Article 4(1) of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995 ("the Direction").

The Direction applies to development of the type specified in the First Schedule to this Notice within the area described in the Second Schedule to this Notice.

The effect of the Direction is that permission granted by article 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development Order) 1995 shall not apply to development of the type specified in the First Schedule to this Notice and that such development shall not be carried out within the area specified in the Second Schedule to this Notice unless planning permission is granted by the Authority on an application made to the Authority under Part III of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

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The Direction was made on 28 February 2012 and was confirmed and came into force on 14 May 2012.

FIRST SCHEDULE

The Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) Order 1995

SCHEDULE 2 PART 5 - CARAVAN SITES

Class A

The use of the land, other than a building, as a caravan site in the circumstances referred to in paragraph A.2.

SCHEDULE 2 PART 6 - AGRICULTURAL BUILDINGS AND OPERATIONS

Class A - Development on units of 5 hectares or more

- (a) Works for the erection, extension or alteration of a building; or
 - (b) any excavation or engineering operations
- which are reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture within that unit.

Class B - Development on units of less than 5 hectares

- (a) the extension or alteration of an agricultural building;
- (b) the installation of additional or replacement plant or machinery;
- (c) the provision, rearrangement or replacement of a sewer, main, pipe, cable or other apparatus;
- (d) the provision, rearrangement or replacement of a private way;
- (e) the provision of a hard surface;
- (f) the deposit of waste; or
- (g) the carrying out of any of the following operations in connection with fish farming, namely, repairing ponds and raceways; the installation of grading machinery, seration equipment or flow meters and any associated channel; the dredging of ponds; and the replacement of tanks and nets,

where the development is reasonably necessary for the purposes of agriculture within the unit.

SCHEDULE 2 PART 7 - FORESTRY BUILDINGS AND OPERATIONS

Class A

The carrying out on land used for the purposes of forestry, including afforestation, of development reasonably necessary for those purposes consisting of :-

- (a) works for the erection, extension or alteration of a building;
- (b) the formation, alteration or maintenance of private ways;
- (c) operations on that land, or on land held or occupied with that land, to obtain the materials required for the formation, alteration or maintenance of such ways;
- (d) other operations (not including engineering or mining operations).

SECOND SCHEDULE

A parcel of land having an area of some 0.9 hectares to the north of Ashurst Hill, Ashurst, Tunbridge Wells, Kent.

Paul Cummins, Legal Services Manager,
 Tunbridge Wells Borough Council,
 Town Hall, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 1RS.

Dated : 19 May 2012

**Maidstone Borough Council**

INTEGRATED TRANSPORT STRATEGY
STRATEGIC LOCATIONS - CALL FOR POTENTIAL
PARK AND RIDE DEVELOPMENT SITES

Following consultation on the Maidstone Borough Council Core Strategy in September and October 2011, the council is seeking information and expressions of interest to explore the potential for new 'park & ride' sites near Linton crossroads (A229/B2163) and in the vicinity of Junction 7 of the M20 motorway.

Site information must be submitted on the call for

'park and ride' sites pro-forma, which is available on the council web page at www.maidstone.gov.uk/ldf or in hard copy on request.

This information should be submitted, **preferably by email**, by **17:00 on Friday 22 June 2012**.

By email: ldf@maidstone.gov.uk

By post: Jonathan Morris, Principal Transport Planning Officer, Spatial Policy, Maidstone Borough Council, Maidstone House, King Street, Maidstone, Kent ME15 6JQ.

This exercise allows you to propose potential development sites. The council will assess sites on an equal basis, but there is no commitment by the council that your site(s) will be allocated for development.



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NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR
PLANNING PERMISSION
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13 OF THE TOWN AND
COUNTRY PLANNING
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)
(ENGLAND) ORDER 2010

KCC/TM/0132/2012 - Proposed development at
West Kent Health Needs Education Service,
Woodview, 40 Teddington Drive, Leybourne, West
Malling, Kent, ME19 5FF

Taylor Wimpey UK Ltd is applying to Kent County Council for planning permission for an extension of existing school building to provide additional classroom, replacing stand alone structure, to be removed. Creation of new vehicular and pedestrian access, reorganisation of car parking and associated landscape works. The proposed development could affect a public right of way.

You may view this application at Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council, Gibson Building, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4LZ.

KCC/TW/0152/2012 - Proposed development at
Tunbridge Wells South Wastewater Treatment
Works, Broom Lane, Groombridge, Tunbridge Wells,
Kent, TN3 9JL

Southern Water Ltd is applying to Kent County Council for planning permission for construction of two walk-in kiosks, a sludge storage tank and other minor works to support upgrades to the wastewater treatment works.

You may view this application at Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, 8 Grosvenor Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 2AB.

NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 13 OF
THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE)
(ENGLAND) ORDER 2010
AND UNDER THE PLANNING (LISTED BUILDING
AND CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990

KCC/TW/0151/2012 - Proposed development at Land
south of Rolvenden Road, Benenden, Kent, TN17 4DN

Kent County Council Property & Infrastructure Support is applying to Kent County Council (as the County Planning Authority) for planning permission for the erection of a new Primary School building with associated hardcourt play areas, access, parking and landscaping and re-profiling and landscaping of residual land to return to pasture. The proposed development does not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area in which the land to which the application relates is situated. The proposed development is close to the Benenden Conservation Area and is likely to affect its character and/or appearance. It may also affect the setting of nearby Listed Buildings. The proposed development affects three public rights of way (WC325, WC326 and WC327).

You may view this application at Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, 8 Grosvenor Road, Royal Tunbridge Wells, Kent, TN1 2AB.

Alternatively, details of all applications can be viewed on Kent County Council's website at www.kent.gov.uk/viewapplications or at our offices in Maidstone at the address below during all reasonable office hours.

We accept comments online via our website, by email to planning.applications@kent.gov.uk or in writing to Planning Applications Group, Kent County Council, First Floor, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent ME14 1XX within 21 days from the date of this notice. Please quote the application reference number and note that comments may be drawn to the attention of Council Members, the applicant and other interested persons and may include publishing on the Borough/District Council website.

Sharon Thompson
 Head of Planning
 Applications Group
 Kent County Council
 Dated: 20 May 2012



THE TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING
(DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT
PROCEDURE) (ENGLAND) ORDER 2010

The following applications have been submitted for consideration by the Council:

Y12/0372/SH - GJB Autos North Street New Romney Kent TN28 8DW - Conservation area consent for demolition of existing garage/workshop buildings.

Y12/0338/SH - Land to rear of 29 Shorncliffe Road Folkestone Kent CT20 2NB - Erection of a detached dwelling and garage.

Y12/0450/SH - 78 Sandgate High Street Sandgate Folkestone Kent CT20 1BX - Extension to time limit of planning permission Y08/0239/SH for the change of use from offices (Class A2) to two self-contained upper floor flats, together with external alterations.

Y12/0437/SH - 2 Well House 41 Radnor Cliff Folkestone Kent CT20 2JL - Alterations to the roof to include a pitched roof to the side and the erection of a detached garage following removal of existing and erection of a retaining wall.

Y12/0345/SH - 5 New Street Lydd Romney Marsh Kent TN29 9DJ - Listed building consent for internal and external works to include replacement of window to North East elevation, drylining, new ensuite to first floor and exposure of historic timber frame to first floor.

Y12/0401/SH - McDonalds Restaurant West Terrace Folkestone Kent CT20 1RR - Installation of five air conditioning units to first floor flat roof. (Units associated with existing restaurant premises below).

Y12/0387/SH - The Leas Lift Lower Sandgate Road Folkestone Kent CT20 1PR - Listed building consent to remove track and timber sleepers to redundant 2nd lift at Leas Cliff Lift

Y12/0307/SH - Trinity Gardens Open Space Bouverie Road West Folkestone Kent - Partial crown reduction of a Sycamore tree situated within a conservation area comprising of the reduction of the lateral limbs on the western side to give minimum of 2 metres clearance from the adjacent building (65 Bouverie Road West).

Y12/0415/SH - Former Primary School Adjoining Marist Convent Seabrook Road Hythe Kent - Erection of a part four and part three storey block of 12 flats being details pursuant to outline planning permission Y08/0949/SH (details relating to appearance, landscaping and scale).

Y12/0403/SH - Courtland House 7 Trinity Crescent Folkestone Kent CT20 2ES - Change of use from hotel (Class C1) to residential (Class C3) and conversion into 8 self-contained flats and one self-contained maisonette, together with internal and external alterations, including replacement windows and alterations to front and rear dormer windows.

Y12/0458/SH - Land Adjoining 2 Peene House Cottages Newington Road Peene Kent - Change of use of agricultural land to residential and erection of a detached two storey dwelling with upper floor set within roof space with garage and access driveway, following demolition of existing agricultural barn building (re-submission of planning application Y10/1192/SH).

Any representations should be made in writing to the Head of Planning, Shepway District Council, Civic Centre, Castle Hill Avenue, Folkestone, Kent, CT20 2QY or emailed to planning@shepway.gov.uk. Comments should be made in writing within 21 days from the date of publication. It should be noted that any representations received will be made available for public inspection.

Some applications can be viewed at other locations in addition to the Civic Centre, Folkestone. The applications are marked as follows:

- # - The One Stop Shop, Magpies, Church Approach, New Romney
- + - Hythe Town Council Offices, Stude Street, Hythe

Applications can be viewed and comments made online at <http://searchplanapps.shepway.gov.uk/online-applications/>.

The applications marked (*) do not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area in which the land to which the application relates is situated.

C Lewis, Head of Planning
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CANTERBURY

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (CANTERBURY)(TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES)(AMENDMENT NO 1) ORDER 2012

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The effect of the Order is to amend the Kent County Council (Canterbury) (Traffic Regulation and Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2011 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in Canterbury:

| Item | Road | Proposal |
|------|-------------------------------------|--|
| 100 | Edgar Road | Removal of yellow lines at the top end of the road |
| 113 | Querns Road | New double yellow lines at the junctions with the loop by the play area |
| 116 | Sussex Avenue and Dorset Road | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 145 | Vernon Place | Change single yellow line to double |
| 203 | St Thomas Hill | Single yellow line outside No 23 |
| 204 | Cherry Drive and Cherry Garden Road | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 205 | Whitehall Road | Change single yellow lines to double |
| 220 | Salisbury Road | Double yellow lines outside Nos 3 to 9 |
| 240 | St Michael's Road | Double yellow lines alongside the grassed island at the junction with St Michael's Place |
| 260 | Farleigh Road and Hever Place | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 265 | Broad Oak Road | Double yellow lines to form passing places between Stonebridge Road and Farleigh Road |
| 275 | Brymore Close | New parking bay |
| 999C | Various | Make existing Disabled Parking Bays in Guildford Road, Knight Avenue, Long Acre Close, Spring Lane enforceable |

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (HERNE BAY) (TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT NO 1) ORDER 2012

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The effect of the Order is to further amend the Kent County Council (Herne Bay) (Traffic Regulation and Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2011 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in Herne Bay:

| Item | Road | Proposal |
|------|-----------------------------------|--|
| 300 | Mill Lane/Woodrow Chase | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 320 | Margate Road/Talmead Road | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 330 | Landon Road/Grange Road | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 340 | Reculver Road/Coventry Gardens | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 350 | Reculver Road/Glenbervie Drive | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 360 | Beltinge Road and Sea View Road | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 380 | Mickleburgh Hill and Tyndale Park | Double yellow lines in Tyndale Park at the junction |
| 420 | Stanley Road and Arkley Road | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 435 | High Street and The Broadway | Loading ban in The Broadway at the junction with Sea Street and at the junction of Station Road, High Street and Avenue Road |
| 440 | Sea Street | Double yellow lines on the eastern side between Avenue Road and Western Avenue |
| 450 | Sea Street | Restrict the parking bay outside the Post Office to 30 minute waiting |
| 465 | Greenhill Road | Extend double yellow lines outside Nos 18-22 Kingfisher Court |
| 999H | Various | Make existing Disabled Parking Bays Carlton Hill, Fleetwood Avenue, Station Road, Linden Avenue, North Street enforceable |

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (WHITSTABLE) (TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT NO 1) ORDER 2012

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The effect of the Order is to further amend the Kent County Council (Whitstable) (Traffic Regulation and Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2011 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in Whitstable:

| Item | Road | Proposal |
|------|--|---|
| 520 | Chestfield Road/The Ridgeway | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 540 | Plantation Road | Extend double yellow lines near the junction with Chestfield Road |
| 550 | Chestfield Road opposite Maydowns Road | Double yellow lines in entrance to the closed off access road |
| 570 | St John's Road and Plough Lane | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 595 | Nacholt Close | Double yellow lines at the junction with Ham Shades Lane |
| 605 | Tankerton Road and Graystone Road | Remove a parking bay in Tankerton Road and replace it with one in Graystone Road |
| 615 | St Anne's Road | Double yellow lines at the junction with Northwood Road |
| 620 | Queens Road | Yellow lines between Pier Avenue and Wynn Road |
| 635 | Tower Hill | New Disabled Parking Bays outside the tea garden and extend the free parking bays |
| 640 | Westgate Terrace | Double yellow lines on the northern side |
| 680 | Old Bridge Road | Extend double yellow lines outside No 27 |
| 687 | Swanfield Road | Remove single yellow line outside 30 to 36 |
| 700 | Essex Street | Double yellow lines |
| 720 | Joy Lane | Extend double yellow lines outside No 78 |
| 750 | Faversham Road | Double yellow lines between Lucerne Drive and the railway bridge |
| 999W | Long Rock | Make existing Disabled Parking Bay in Long Rock enforceable |

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (CANTERBURY RURAL PARISHES) (TRAFFIC REGULATION AND STREET PARKING PLACES) (AMENDMENT NO 1) ORDER 2012

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The effect of the Order is to further amend the Kent County Council (Canterbury Rural Parishes) (Traffic Regulation and Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2011 by introducing new or varying existing parking and waiting restrictions on the following lengths of road in rural parishes in the Canterbury District:

| Item | Road | Parish | Proposal |
|------|--------------------------------|---------------|---|
| 817 | Cold Harbour Lane | Bridge | Double yellow lines under the A2 bridge |
| 830 | The Street | Wickhambreaux | Additional School Keep Clear marking |
| 845 | Popes Lane and Hillbrow Avenue | Sturry | Double yellow lines at the junction |
| 870 | Mill Lane, Harbledown | Harbledown | Double yellow lines on the corners of the cul de sac leading to Nos 7 to 15 |

THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL (VARIOUS ROADS, CITY OF CANTERBURY) (PROHIBITION OF STOPPING ON FOOTWAY OR VERGE) (AMENDMENT NO 2) ORDER 2012

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL has made the above Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act.

The effect of the Order will be to further amend The Kent County Council (Various Roads, City of Canterbury) (Prohibition of Stopping on Footway or Verge) Order 2010 by prohibiting stopping at any time with one or more wheels on the footway or verge on both sides of the following lengths of road:


| Item | Road | Town | Extent of prohibition |
|------|---|------------|--|
| 143 | Dover Street | Canterbury | Prohibition of parking on the pavement |
| 230 | Salisbury Road area | Canterbury | Prohibition of parking on the pavement in Salisbury Road, Bramshaw Road, Verwood Close, Durnford Close, Brockenhurst Close, Damerham Close, Cadnam Close, Ringwood Close |
| 250 | Beaconsfield Road, St Michael's Road and St Michael's Place | Canterbury | Prohibition of parking on the pavement in Beaconsfield Road, St Michael's Road and St Michael's Place |
| 656 | High Street area | Whitstable | Prohibition of parking on the pavement in High Street, Harbour Street and Oxford Street |

These orders were made on 15 May 2012 and come into force on 11 June 2012. Full details are contained in the Orders which, together with a Statement of the council's reasons for making the Orders and a copy of the orders amended by the Orders may be examined at the Canterbury City Council offices, Military Road, Canterbury, CT1 1YW during normal office hours.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Orders or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within six weeks from the date on which the Order was made make application to the High Court for this purpose.

This Notice is published on behalf of Kent County Council, Highways and Transportation, Enterprise and Environment, County Hall, Maidstone, ME14 2XQ





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PLANNING

THE MAIDSTONE BOROUGH COUNCIL Town and Country Planning Act Notice of Applications

MA/12/0566/S - WELL COTTAGE, BENOVER ROAD, YALDING, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME18 6AS - Erection of a detached single storey outbuilding (garden room). **Reason: 1**

MA/12/0567/S - WELL COTTAGE, BENOVER ROAD, YALDING, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME18 6AS - An application for listed building consent for internal alterations to allow introduction of en suite shower room and insertion of 2No. roof lights to rear (south west) elevation and 1No. roof light to (north west) elevation. **Reason: 3**

MA/12/0653/N - GODDINGTON, GODDINGTON LANE, HARRIETSHAM, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME17 1JX - Installation of up-and-over timber garage doors to outbuilding. **Reason: 1**

MA/12/0660/N - LENHAM STORAGE COMPANY LTD, HAM LANE, LENHAM, KENT, ME17 2LH - An application for a new planning permission to replace an extant planning permission (MA/09/0280) Demolition of existing warehouse and construction of a new storage warehouse) in order to extend the time limit for implementation. **Reason: 6, 7**

MA/12/0662/S - 51, ABINGDON ROAD, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME16 9EE - Single storey front extension. **Reason: 1**

MA/12/0668/N - NEWNHAM COURT INN, NEWNHAM COURT FARM, BEARSTED ROAD, WEAVERING, MAIDSTONE, KENT, ME14 5LH - An application for listed building consent for the installation of 4no externally illuminated signs, 5no internally illuminated signs and 5no non-illuminated signs and rope lighting to the front elevation. **Reason: 3**

MA/12/0791/S - LINDFIELD FARM, WILLOW LANE, PADDOCK WOOD, KENT - Change of use of land to residential for the occupation of one gypsy family with the stationing of 4 mobile homes and 4 touring caravans with associated hardstanding and boundary treatments. **Reason: 6**

Reasons for advertisement key:

- 1 - Applications affects the setting of a Listed Building.
- 3 - Application is for Listed Building Consent.
- 6 - Application is Major Development.
- 7 - Application affects a Public Right of Way.



Copies of applications listed may be seen at Maidstone Gateway, Maidstone during office hours (Monday to Wednesday 8.30am to 5.30pm, Thursday 8.30am to 7pm, Friday 8.30am to 5.30pm and Saturday 9am to 1pm). Any representations should be made in writing to me by no later than **3rd June 2012**, quoting the application number.

Rob Jarman, Head of Development Management, Maidstone Borough Council, Maidstone House, King Street, Maidstone, Kent ME15 6JQ. **Dated:** 20th May 2012

Public Notice

20 May 2012



Audit of accounts year ended 31 March 2012

Audit Commission Act 1998, sections 15-16

Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2011 Regulations 9, 10, 21, 22 & 24

The council's accounts are subject to external audit by Andy Mack of Audit Commission, c/o 4th Floor B Block, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XQ. Members of the public and local government electors have certain rights in the audit process:

- From 25 June to 20 July between 8.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday any person may inspect the accounts of the council for the year ended 31 March 2012 and certain related documents (comprising books, deeds, contracts, bills, vouchers and receipts) at the address given below. They may also make copies of the accounts and documents.
- From 9am on 23 July 2012 until the conclusion of the audit process, a local government elector for the area of the council, or his/her representative, may ask the auditor questions about the accounts. Please contact the auditor at the address given above to make arrangements to ask any questions.
- From 9am on 23 July 2012 until the conclusion of the audit process, a local government elector for the area of the council, or his/her representative, may object to the council's accounts asking that the auditor issue a report in the public interest (under section 8 of the Audit Commission Act 1998) and/or apply to the court for a declaration that an item in the accounts is contrary to law (under section 17 of the Audit Commission Act 1998). Written notice of a proposed objection and the grounds on which it is made must be sent to the auditor at the address given above and copied to me at the address given below.

Colin Carmichael
Chief Executive
Canterbury City Council
Military Road, Canterbury CT1 1YW

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Planning applications



Notice under Article 8 of the Town & Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995
Notice under Section 67 and/or Section 73 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Act 1990
Notice under Regulation 5 of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990
Notice under Regulation 5A of the Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) (Amendment) (England) Regulations 2004

The following applications have been submitted for consideration by the council:

CA/12/00666/FUL: Tankerton Slopes and Marine Parade, Whitstable Erection of 17 Beach Huts. **Applicant: Mr R Griffiths**
Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00689/FUL: 64 High Street, Whitstable, CT5 1BB Ground-floor extension to existing retail premises, extension and conversion of existing first-floor space to residential accommodation and associated works. **Applicant: The Trustees of Jones Samuel Retirement Benefit Scheme**
Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00701/FUL: Butts Farm, School Lane, Lower Hardres, CT4 5NS Installation of photovoltaic array on outbuilding.
Applicant: Mr D McCully Reason: Setting of listed building in conservation area.

CA/12/00711/CAC: Cliff Dene, 11 Marine Parade, Whitstable, CT5 2BQ Partial demolition of residential institution to facilitate redevelopment.
Applicant: Mr J Thurston Reason: Demolition of unlisted building in conservation area.

CA/12/00712/FUL: Cliff Dene, 11 Marine Parade, Whitstable, CT5 2BQ Redevelopment of residential institution including partial demolition to create two detached dwellings with associated garages. **Applicant: Mr J Thurston** Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00733/FUL: 79 High Street, Bridge, CT4 5AR Replacement windows and entrance door to dwelling. **Applicant: Mrs Lewis**
Reason: Setting of listed building in conservation area.

CA/12/00736/FUL: The Thatched House, Gravel Castle Road, Barham, CT4 6EU Demolition of existing garage and outbuildings and the construction of a split-level replacement garage and garden store. **Applicant: Mr Nicholas Showan** Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00741/FUL: 2 Chapel Street, Herne Bay, CT6 5GN Erection of detached dwelling. **Applicant: Neptunes Amusements**
Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00757/FUL: 49 and 51 Mortimer Street, Herne Bay, CT6 5PN External alterations and change of use of No 49 from residential to retail (Use Class A1). **Applicant: Ms O'Mahoney** Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00764/ADV: 7 St George's Street, Canterbury, CT1 2JT Installation of 1 no illuminated fascia sign, 3 no internally illuminated fascia sign and 2 no internally illuminated projecting signs. **Applicant: New Look Group plc** Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00765/FUL: Land rear of Pilgrims Mede, Summer Hill, Harbledown, CT2 8NJ Application for a new planning permission to replace planning permission CA/08/0111/HAC for the erection of detached dwelling with associated parking in order to extend the time limit for implementation. **Applicant: William King Homes Ltd** Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00766/FUL: 104 Cornwallis Circle, Whitstable, CT5 1DT Single-storey rear extension to dwelling. **Applicant: Ms Jane Lindsey**
Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00767/LB: 30 St Dunstons Street, Canterbury, CT2 8BZ Refurbishment of existing shopfront and signage.
Applicant: Mail Boxes etc Canterbury Reason: Work to a listed building.

CA/12/00769/FUL: Gothic House, 36 Avenue Road, Herne Bay, CT6 8TG Replacement doors and windows, erection of railings and installation of balcony above entrance porch. **Applicant: Easterley Cox** Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00775/FUL: The Dairy, 1 Colewood Farmstead, Herne Bay, CT6 7PE Erection of porch. **Applicant: Mr and Mrs Welsh**
Reason: Affects the setting of a listed building.

CA/12/00776/LB: The Dairy, 1 Colewood Farmstead, Herne Bay, CT6 7PE Erection of porch. **Applicant: Mr and Mrs Welsh**
Reason: Work to a listed building.

CA/12/00786/FUL: 56 York Road, Canterbury, CT1 3SX Single-storey rear extension. **Applicant: Mrs Smith** Reason: Conservation area.

CA/12/00790/FUL: Benson House, Pin Hill, Canterbury, CT1 2RB Single-storey extension to front elevation.
Applicant: Canterbury Christ Church University Reason: Conservation area.

Any representations should be sent in writing to the Head of Planning and Regeneration, Canterbury City Council, Military Road, Canterbury CT1 1YW or e-mailed to development.control@canterbury.gov.uk to arrive on or before **Monday 11 June 2012**.

The weekly list of applications can be viewed on our website at: www.canterbury.gov.uk/dc

Ian Brown, Head of Planning and Regeneration
Friday 18 May 2012

PREMISES/ GOODS LICENCES

GOODS VEHICLE OPERATOR'S LICENCE

Fresh Fruit Distribution Limited Trading as Fresh Fruit Distribution Ltd of 1 Court Tree Drive, Eastchurch Sheerness, Kent, ME12 4TR, is applying to change an existing licence as follows: To keep an extra 5 goods vehicles and 0 trailers at the operating centre at 9 Rushenden Road, Queenborough, Kent ME11 5HB To keep an extra 0 goods vehicles and 5 trailers at Unit 4 Klondyke Trading Estate, Rushenden Road, Queenborough, Kent ME11 5HH Owners or occupiers of land (including buildings) near the operating centre(s) who believe that their use or enjoyment of that land would be affected, should make written representations to the Traffic Commissioner at Hillcrest House, 386 Harehills Lane, Leeds, LS9 6NF, stating their reasons within 21 days of this notice. Representatives must at the same time send a copy of their representations to the applicant at the address given at the top of this notice. A Guide to Making Representations is available from the Traffic Commissioner's office.
www.businesslink.gov.uk/transport

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY

PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY & VILLAGE GREENS

PROW - IN THE BOROUGH OF MAIDSTONE AND SWALE

**NOTICE OF THE INTENTION TO MAKE AN ORDER
TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE PUBLIC FOOTPATHS
KH389, KH448/ZR305, KH449, KH450, KH451
IN THE PARISHES OF WICHLING, OTTERDEN
AND DODDINGTON**

**PUBLIC FOOTPATHS KH389, KH448/ZR305,
KH449, KH450, KH451
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984, SECTION 14(1),
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY
RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1994**

Kent County Council intends to temporarily close the following Public Footpaths

- KH389 (between Hubbards Hill and Payden Street) for approx 1 week
- KH450 (between Paydens Street Farm and north of The Homestead) for approx 1 week
- KH451 (between Payden Street and Slade Road) for approx 1 week
- KH448 (between the junction with KH454 and the junctions with Slade Road / Old Farm Lane) for approx 3 weeks
- KH449 (between Payden Street and the junction with KH448) for approx 3 weeks

from the 1st June 2012

The Order allows for the paths to be closed for a maximum of six months, should this be necessary.

The paths will be closed because works to excavate and build a pipeline are planned on it and there is a likelihood of danger to users.

There is no alternative route.

For detailed enquiries please contact: John Pelham

Countryside Access Service
Kent County Council
Invicta House
County Hall
Maidstone
Kent
ME14 1XX

Dated: 20th May 2012

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HIGHWAYS - District of Ashford

**A2042 BAD MUNSTEREIFEL ROAD, ASHFORD
(40 MPH SPEED LIMIT) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

For the safety of the public and workforce whilst gas mains replacement works are being carried out, Kent County Council intends to make an Order to impose a temporary eastbound mandatory speed limit of 40 mph on the A2042 Bad Munstereifel Road, Ashford.

The section of road affected is on the eastbound carriageway, from the junction with Romney Marsh Road to where it becomes designated as the A2070 Trunk Road.

This Order comes into force on or after 6 June 2012 for up to 6 weeks or until the works have been completed, and applies when the relevant speed limit signs are displayed on site.

**BROMLEY GREEN ROAD, RUCKINGE
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of water mains replacement works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Bromley Green Road, Ruckinge, on or after 6 June 2012 for up to 5 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the junction with Ashford Road.

The alternative route is via Ashford Road, Capel Road and Bromley Green Road.

**ULLEY ROAD, ASHFORD (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to lay a new electricity cable, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Ulley Road, Ashford, on or after 6 June 2012 for up to 5 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the junction with Faversham Road.

The alternative route is via Faversham Road and Upper Vicarage Road.

HIGHWAYS - District of Canterbury

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(A290 WHITSTABLE ROAD, BLEAN)
(RESTRICTED ROAD TRAFFIC) ORDER 2012**

Kent County Council has made the above named order under Sections 82 (1) and 87 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act:-

The effect of the order will revoke the order: The Kent County Council (A290, Blean) (40mph Speed Limit) Order 2004. By revoking this order Whitstable Road, Tile Kiln Hill and Blean Hill A290 will become a (30mph) restricted speed road by the presence of street lighting.

This Order shall come into force on 20th May 2012 and may be cited as The Kent County Council (A290 Whitstable Road, Blean) (Restricted Road Traffic) Order 2012

Full details are contained in the Order which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at Kent County Council Highways, Javelin Way Ashford, TN24 8AD, between 8.30am and 5.00pm, and at Canterbury City Council Offices, Military Road, Canterbury, during normal opening times.

Any person wishing to question the validity of the Order or any of the provisions contained therein on the grounds that it is not within the powers of the relevant enabling Act or that any requirement of any such enabling Act or of any regulations made thereunder have not been complied with may within 6 weeks from the date on which the Order was made make application to the High Court for this purpose

**CANTERBURY ROAD, HERNE BAY
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

To allow Network Rail to carry out a bridge safety inspection, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Canterbury Road, Herne Bay, on or after 24 May 2012 from 10.00 pm through until 6.00 am the following morning.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the railway bridge.

The alternative route is via Canterbury Road, Beltinge Road, Sea View Road, Reculver Road, Margate Road, A299 Thanet Way and Canterbury Road.

**KING STREET, CANTERBURY (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012**

**THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

To enable a sewer connection to be made to a new development, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on King Street, Canterbury, on or after 21 May 2012 for up to 1 week or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of the junction with The Friars.

The alternative routes are

Southbound via King Street, Palace Street and Orange Street.

Northbound via Orange Street, Palace Street, The Borough, St Radigund's Street, Knotts Lane and King Street.

**ST DUNSTAN'S STREET, CANTERBURY
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to lay phone ducting in the carriageway, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on St Dunstan's Street, Canterbury, on or after 6 June 2012 for up to 3 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed to through traffic between the junctions with London Road and Forty Acres Road.

The alternative routes are via

London Road, A2050 Harbledown By-Pass, Palmers Cross Hill, Rough Common Road, A290 Whitstable Road, St Thomas Hill and Whitstable Road

or via Forty Acres Road, Beaconsfield Road, B2248 St Stephen's Hill, St Stephen's Road, Station Road West and St Dunstan's Street.

HIGHWAYS - District of Dover

**CAPEL STREET, CAPEL-LE-FERNE
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of carriageway micro-surfacing works, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Capel Street, Capel-le-Ferne, on or after 26 May 2012 for up to 2 days, between 8.00 am and 7.00 pm.

The road will be closed between New Dover Road and the bridge over the A20 Trunk Road.

The alternative route for through traffic is via Cauldham Lane, Swinge Hill and Hockley Sole Lane.

Various side roads will be closed at their junctions with Capel Street as the works progress, as signposted on site.

**COLD BLOW LEVEL CROSSING, RIPPLE, DEAL
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of level crossing maintenance, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Cold Blow Level Crossing, Ripple, Deal, on or after 27 May 2012, between 7.00 am and 7.00 pm. Coldbow will be closed in the vicinity of the level crossing.

The alternative route is via Coldblow, Ripple Road, A258 Dover Road, Station Road and Coldblow.

**KINGSDOWN ROAD, ST MARGARET'S AT CLIFFE
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of carriageway micro-surfacing works, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Kingsdown Road, St Margaret's at Cliffe, on or after 23 May 2012 for up to 1 day, between 8.00 am and 7.00 pm.

The road will be closed in phases for its entire length, which also affects access to The Freedown.

There is no alternative route as the road is a cul-de-sac.

Access will be maintained whenever it is safe to do so, but there may be times when this is not possible, due to the use of machinery.

**SINGLEEDGE LANE, WHITFIELD
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of carriageway patching works, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Singleedge Lane, Whitfield, on or after 21 May 2012 for up to 5 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between the junctions with

Green Lane and Coldred Road.

The alternative route is via Coldred Road, The Street, Kennel Hill, Sandwich Road and Nursery Lane.

**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(WAITING RESTRICTIONS AND STREET PARKING PLACES)
CONSOLIDATION (AMENDMENT NO 14) ORDER 2012**

Notice is hereby given that KENT COUNTY COUNCIL propose to make the above named Order under sections 1(1), 2(1) to (3), 3(2), 4(1) and (2), 32(1), 35(1), 45, 46, 49 and 53 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Paragraph 20 of Schedule 9 to the Act: The effect of the Order will be to prohibit waiting at any time at the following locations:-

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| Astor Avenue, Dover | On the south side of the road, from the existing 'at any time' waiting restrictions west of the traffic island, in a westerly direction for a distance of 8m. |
| York Road, Walmer | On the west side of the road from the existing 'at any time' waiting restrictions outside numbers 58 to 62, to be extended a northerly direction for a distance of 3m. |

Full details are contained in the draft Order which, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the proposals and a statement of reasons for proposing to make the Order may be examined on Mondays to Fridays at Kent County Council, Javelin Way Ashford, Kent, TN24 8DH, between 8.30am and 5.00pm, and at Dover District Council, Council Offices, White Cliffs Business Park, Whitfield, Kent, CT16 3PJ during normal opening hours.

If you wish to offer support for or object to the proposed Order you should send the grounds in writing to Traffic Schemes Team, Kent County Council Highways and Transportation, Ashford Highway Depot, 4 Javelin Way, Henwood Industrial Estate, Ashford, TN24 8AD or by email to traffic.schemes@kent.gov.uk by noon on Monday 11 June 2012.

**THE RISE, KINGSDOWN (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING)
TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of carriageway resurfacing, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on The Rise, Kingsdown, on or after 10 June 2012 for up to 1 day, between 9.00 am and 7.00 pm.

The road will be closed for its entire length.

The alternative route is via Chalk Hill Road and Upper Street.

HIGHWAYS - East Kent

**VARIOUS ROADS, EAST KENT (SURFACE DRESSING)
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

To allow carriageway surface dressing works to be carried out, Kent County Council intends to make an Order to prohibit through traffic on the roads detailed below.

The Order will become effective on or after 6 June 2012 for up to 2 months, or until the works have been completed.

The planned dates for each road closure are shown below. Works will be carried out between the hours of 7.00 am and 7.00 pm, unless otherwise stated.

The closure dates will be displayed by signage on site 7 days in advance. The closures will be in effect when the appropriate signage and barriers are in place.

A further closure will be needed on each road for up to one day, approximately 7 days after original closure, to carry out road sweeping and lining.

Every effort will be made to keep to the timetable shown below. However, adverse weather conditions may prevent some roads being surfaced on the planned date.

Roads that are missed will be re-scheduled later on in the programme, as advised locally and signposted on site.

Where closures are in No Through Roads, every effort will be made to maintain as much access as is safely possible

Roads are listed by District, in the order they are planned to be carried out.

SWALE

PLOUGH ROAD, EASTCHURCH - between Eastchurch Road to Warden Road

6th June 2012

Alternative route via Eastchurch Road, Lower Road, High Street and Warden Road

WARDWELL LANE, NEWINGTON - between School Lane and High Oak Hill

6th June 2012

Alternative route via School Lane, The Street, Breach Lane, Boxted Lane & School Lane

WISES LANE, BORDEN - between Maylam Gardens and The Street

6th June 2012

Alternative route via London Road, Borden Lane & The Street

DEANS BOTTOM, BREDGAR - between Pett Lane and Kennel Barn Road

7th June 2012

Alternative route via Pett Lane, South Green Lane & Kennel Barn Road

KENNEL BARN ROAD, BREDGAR - between South Green Lane and Deans Hill Road

7th June 2012

Alternative route via Deans Bottom, Pett Lane and South Green Lane

DEANS HILL ROAD, BREDGAR - between Kennel Barn Road and Blind Mary's Lane

7th June 2012

Alternative route via Kennel Barn Road, South Green Lane, Bicknor Road, Swanton Street and Blind Mary's Lane

CONYER QUAY, TEYNHAM - from Conyer Road, for its entire length

7th June 2012

There is no alternative route as the road is a cul-de-sac; limited access may be possible when safe

THROWLEY ROAD, THROWLEY - between the entrance to Belmont Park Estate and Almshouse Road

7th June 2012

Alternative route via Hayward's Hill, Stalisfield Road, Church Road, Pettfield Hill Road and Almshouse Road

PERRY WOOD, SELLING - the section from Selling Court Farm heading south eastwards towards "Three Beeches"

8th June 2012

Alternative route via Beeches Road and Perry Wood

MONKSHILL ROAD, HERNHILL

Westbound via Highstreet Road, overbridge to A229 Thanet Way (London-bound), Thanet Way, Staple Street, Staple Street Road, Head Hill, Head Hill Road and Seasalter Road.

Eastbound via Seasalter Road, Head Hill Road, Head Hill, Whitstable Road, A229 Thanet Way (coast-bound) and Highstreet Road.

CANTERBURY

BOGSHOLE ROAD / GOLDEN HILL, WHITSTABLE - between A290 Clapham Hill and the 30 mph sign at the junction with Golden Hill

8th June 2012

Alternative route via A290 Clapham Hill and A2990 (Old) Thanet Way

SOUTH STREET, WHITSTABLE - between Chestfield Road and Millstrood Road.

12th June 2012

Alternative route via Millstrood Road, Chestfield Road and A2990 (Old) Thanet Way

NORTH STREAM, CHISLET - between Boyden Gate Hill and the bridge over the Thanet Way

12th June 2012

Alternative route via Brook Lane, Reculver Lane, Sweenchbridge Road, Heart in Hand Road, Ford Hill, Highstead and Boyden Gate Hill

CHITTY LANE, CHISLET - for its entire length

12th June 2012

Alternative route via Church Lane

CONYNGHAM LANE, BRIDGE - for its entire length

13th June 2012

There is no alternative route as the road is a cul-de-sac; every effort will be made to allow access, and liaison will be been carried out with the school

ASHFORD

COLDBRIDGE LANE, EGERTON - Between Pemples Cross and Coldbridge Farm

13th June 2012

Alternative route via Egerton House Road, Coach Road, Boughton Road, Church Road and Woodcock Lane

For further information, please contact
Kent County Council Highways and Transportation,
on 08458 247 800 (local rate)
or visit www.kent.gov.uk/highways



MUNDAY BOIS ROAD, EGERTON - Between Rock Hill Road and The Pinnock
13th June 2012
Alternative route via The Pinnock, Smarden Road, Egerton Road, New Road and Rock Hill Road

MOONS GREEN, WITTERSHAM - for its entire length
15th June 2012
Alternative route via Palstre Court Road, B2o82 Poplar Road and Swan Street

BECKETT ROAD, APPLEDORE - Between Rhee Wall Road and Becket's Bridge
15th June 2012
Alternative route via B2o8o Rhee Wall, Station Road, A259 Hastings Road / Straight Lane/ Guldeford Road

CAPEL ROAD, ORLESTONE - Between Hamstreet Road and Dynes Lane
16th June 2012
Alternative route via Ashford Road , The Street, Cock Lane, Ruckinge Road, Hamstreet Road , Bilsington Road , Ashford Road , Stone Cross Road

DYNES LANE, BILSINGTON - for its entire length
17th June 2012
Alternative route via Stone Cross Road, Ashford Road

BROCKMANS LANE, KINGSNORTH & CHEQUER TREE FARM ROAD, MERSHAM - between Finn Farm Road and Frith Road
17th June 2012
Alternative route via Finn Farm Road, Cheesemans Green Road, Swanton Lane, Coopers Lane

MANOR POUND LANE, BRABOURNE - in phases between Canterbury Road and Weekes Lane/ Green Lane
20th June 2012
The alternative routes depend on which part of the road is closed, as follows
Closure between Canterbury Road and Lees Road, via Canterbury Road, Woolpack Hill, Lees Road
Closure between Lees Road and Weekes Lane, via Manor Pound Lane, Canterbury Road, The Street, Canterbury Road, Pilgrims Way, Hampton Lane, Plumpton

SOUTH HILL & TAMLEY LANE, HASTINGLEIGH - Between New Barn Road and The Street
21st June 2012
Alternative route via New Barn Road and The Street

SHEPWAY

HOOK WALL BRENZETT - Between Hook Lane and Ashentree Lane
21st June 2012
Alternative route via Hook Lane, A259 Rye Road, Brookland By-pass, Royal Oak Lane, Clubbs Lane, Boarmans Lane, Barnhouse Lane, and Ashentree Lane

KINGS STREET, BRENZETT - Between Carter Lane and Rhee Wall
21st June 2012
Alternative route via King Street, Rectory Lane, A259 Brookland Bypass and B2o8o Rhee Wall

CHURCH LANE, BRENZETT - Between Ashford Road and Butler Lane
22nd June 2012
Alternative route via Ashford Road and Butler Lane

BUTLER LANE, BRENZETT - Between Church Lane and Ashford Road
22nd June 2012
Alternative route via Church Lane and Ashford Road

CUCKOLDS LANE, SNARGATE - for its entire length
22nd June 2012
Alternative route via B2o8o Rhee Wall Road and Arrowhead Lane

NEWCHURCH - the un-named road from Newchurch to Eastbridge Road / Giggers Green Road, for its entire length
22nd June 2012
Alternative route via Giggers Green, Knoll Hill, Bonnington Road and Newchurch Road

B2o63 NORTH ROAD & WEST ROAD, SHORNCLIFFE, FOLKESTONE - between Hospital Hill and Military Road
25th June 2012
Alternative route via Hospital Hill, A259 Seabrook Road, Sandgate Esplanade, Sandgate High Street and Military Road

SANDLING ROAD, POSTLING - Between A2o Ashford Road (Postling Wents) and Canterbury Road (Newbarn)
25th June 2012
Alternative route via A2o Ashford Road, Beachborough and Canterbury Road.

ELVINGTON LANE, HAWKINGE - Between Aerodrome Road and Crete Road West
26th June 2012
Alternative route via Aerodrome Road, A26o Spitfire Way, White Horse Hill, Canterbury Road and Crete Road West

STANDEN LANE, HAWKINGE - Between Alkham Valley Road and Cowgate Lane
26th June 2012
Alternative route via Alkham Valley Road, A26o White Horse Hill, Canterbury Road, The Street and Cowgate Lane

SKEETE ROAD, LYMINGE - for its entire length
26th June 2012
There is no alternative route and limited access will maintained when safe to do so

GREEN LANE/HEMPSTEAD LANE, LYMINGE - Between B2o68 Stone Street and The Minnis
26th June 2012
Alternative route via B2o68 Stone Street, Mockbeggar and The Minnis.

LYMBRIDGE GREEN, STOWTING - Between Stone Street and Big Pett
27th June 2012
Alternative route via B2o68 Stone Street, Peace Lane and Stowting Hill

BOYKE LANE, LYMINGE - Between Canterbury Road and White Horse Lane
27th June 2012
Alternative route via Canterbury Road, Longage Hill and White Horse Lane

VICARAGE LANE & LICKPOT HILL, ELHAM - between junction of New Road and junction with Oak Hill
27th June 2012
Alternative route via New Road, Canterbury Road, Beresforstal Hill and Oak Hill.

STUD FARM LANE, ELHAM - between Beech Lane and Park Gate Road
27th June 2012
Alternative route via Fir Tree Hill and Beech Villa Lane

DROVEWAY / CLAVERTYE, ELHAM - between Wheelbarrow Town and the junction with Exted Hill
28th June 2012
Alternative route via High Minnis, Gate Lane, Chapel Lane and Mount Top

CURTIS LANE, STELLING MINNIS - between Stone Street and Bossingham Road
28th June 2012
Alternative route via Bossingham Road, Wheelbarrow Town, High Minnis, Mockbegger and B2o68 Stone Street.

WHATSOLE STREET, ELMSTEAD - the un-named section of road extending from Whatsole Street, between Elchin Hill and Dean Bottom
28th June 2012
Alternative route via Dean Bottom, Dean Hill, Thorn Lane, B2o68 Stone Street, Lymbridge Green and Big Pett

DOVER

WINEHOUSE LANE, CAPEL-LE-FERNE - between Capel Street and New Dover Road
29th June 2012
Alternative route via Capel Street and New Dover Road

CAPEL STREET, CAPEL-LE-FERNE - between Ingleton Wood Road and bridge
29th June 2012
Alternative route via Hurst Lane, Cauldham Lane, Hockley Sole, Alkham Valley Road, Meggett Lane

SWANTON LANE, LYDDEN - between Swanton Court Farm and Lydden Hill
30th June 2012
Alternative route via Lydden Hill, Geddinge Lane, Wootton Lane, Stockham Lane and Swanton Lane

WOOTTON LANE, DENTON - between Stockham Lane and Dumbrill Hill
30th June 2012
Alternative routes - northbound via Stockham Lane, A26o Canterbury Road, A2 Dover Road and Geddinge Lane - westbound via Dumbrill Hill, A2 Dover Road, A26o Canterbury Road and Stockham Lane.

FERNFIELD LANE, ALKAM including part of Little Everden Road - between The Street, Hawkinge and Chalksole Green Lane
1st July 2012
Alternative route via Fernfield Lane, Cowgate Lane, Standen Lane, Alkham Valley Road, Slip Lane, Green Wood Slip and Chalksole Green Lane

THORNTON LANE, EASTRY - between Heronden Road and Thornton Road
2nd July 2012
Alternative route via Heronden Road, Sandwich Road, Rose Hill, Thornton Road, Pike Road, Lower Street and Mill Lane

GOLF ROAD, DEAL - between Ethelbert Road and The Chequers Public House
2nd July 2012
There is no alternative route and limited access will maintained when safe to do so

MILL LANE, SHEPHERDSWELL - between Coldred Road and Church Hill
3rd July 2012
Alternative route via Church Hill, Shepherdswell Road, Chapel Hill, Coldred Road, Church Road and Coldred Road

KENNEL HILL, EYTHORNE - between Monkton Court Lane and Sandwich Road
3rd July 2012
Alternative route via Sandwich Road, Barville Road, A256 Whitfield By-pass and Sandwich Road

FORGE LANE, SUTTON and ABBEY ROAD, LANGDON - between Wingleton Lane to Abbey Road / Pineham Turning To Forge Lane
4th July 2012 for 2 days
Alternative route via Church Hill, Downs Road, Homestead Lane, Chapel Lane, Waldershare Road, Sandwich Road and Church Whitfield Road

WINGLETON LANE, SUTTON - between Sutton Lane and Forge Lane
6th July 2012
Alternative route via Vale Road, Forge Lane, Waterworks Hill, Waterworks Lane, The Street, Ringwould Road, Ripple Road, Crooked S Road, Chapel Lane and Sutton Road

LucERNE LANE, LANGDON - between the junction with Old Roman Road and The Street, Martin
6th July 2012
Alternative route via East Langdon Road, The Street East Langdon, Church Lane, East Langdon Road, The Street Guston, The Lane, Hangman's Lane, A258 Deal Road, Front Street, Sutton Lane and Ringwould Road

RICHBOROUGH ROAD, SANDWICH - between the property called Trevone and Cop Street Road
7th July 2012 for 2 days
Alternative route via Cop Street Road, A257 Ash Bypass, The Causeway, Ash Road and Richborough Road

GLEN ROAD, KINGSDOWN and LIVERPOOL ROAD, WALMER - from north of the junction with Osborne Road to Grams Road
7th July 2012
Alternative route via Liverpool Road, Granville Road, Kingsdown Road, Upper Street, The Rise, Ringwould Road, A258 Dover Road and Grams Road

THE STREET, NORTHBOURNE - between Deal Road and Northbourne Road
7th July 2012
Alternative route via Deal Road, Willow Road and Northbourne Lane

UPDOWN ROAD, NORTHBOURNE - between Northbourne Road and Ham Lane
7th July 2012
Alternative route via Updown Road, Hay Lane, Hay Hill, Brook Street, Lower Street, Dover Road, A256 Eastry Bypass, Northbourne Road, Northbourne Lane and Hay Lane.

AGESTER LANE, DENTON - between The Street, Denton and From North Elham Hill and Bunkers Hill
8th July 2012
Alternative route via From North Elham Hill to Bunkers Hill, North Elham Hill, Golden Hill, Reece Lane, A26o Canterbury Road, The Street, Denton.

WESTCOURT ROAD, SHEPHERDSWELL - between the A2 and Westcourt Lane
8th July 2012
Alternative route via Westcourt Lane, Wick Lane, A2 Dover Road, Coxhill Road, Westcourt Lane

THANET

NASH ROAD, MARGATE - between Haine Road and Shottendane Road
9th July 2012
Alternative route via Tivoli Road, Beatrice Road, Ramsgate Road, Chapel Hill, Ramsgate Road and Haine Road

HIGHWAYS - District of Gravesham

NORWOOD LANE, MEOPHAM (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991
Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic in Norwood Lane, Meopham between properties Sunhilow and Wembury.
The Order will become effective on 21st May 2012, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to start 25th May 2012 and planned to last 2 weeks. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.
The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: Norwood Lane, Camber Road and Wrotham Road.
The purpose of the closure is to facilitate a Sewer connection.

WHITE HORSE LANE, HARVEL ROAD, ERSKINE ROAD, HARVEL ROAD AND COMMORITY ROAD (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991
Because of Harvel 5 Mile Running Race , Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on White Horse Lane, Harvel Road, Erskine Road, Harvel Road and Commority Road, on or after 2 June

2012 for up to 1 day or until the Event has been completed and again on the 1st June 2013 .
The roads closed will be White Horse Lane, Harvel Road, Erskine Road, Harvel Road and Commority Road.
There will be no access for through traffic. The duration of the Closure of the above roads will be from 1:45pm to 3:15pm

ST JAMES ROAD, GRAVESEND- (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on St James Road, Gravesend between its junction with Darnley Road and St James Street.

The Order will become effective on 6th June 2012, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to last 1 day, between 07:00hrs - 17:00hrs. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: Darnley Road, New Road, Overcliff and St James Street.

The purpose of the closure is to provide a safe working site for operatives.

HIGHWAYS - District of Maidstone

PESTED BARS BOUGHTON MONCHELSEA (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of carriageway patching, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Pested Bars Boughton Monchelsea, on or after 6 June 2012 for up to 3 days or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed from the junction with Joywood through to the junction with Cliff Hill Road .

There will be no access for through traffic between the junctions of Joywood through to the junction with Cliff Hill Road .

The alternative route is via Pested Bars Road, Brishing Lane, A274 Sutton road, Lansdowne Avenue.

HIGHWAYS - District of Shepway

CRETE ROAD, FOLKESTONE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012

THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of carriageway repairs, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Crete Road, Folkestone, on or after 21 May 2012, as detailed below.

CRETE ROAD WEST will be closed from 21 May 2012 for up to 2 days, between 9.00 am and 4.30 pm.

The road will be closed between the junctions with Elvington Lane and Gibraltar Lane.

The alternative route is via Elvington Lane and Gibraltar Lane.

CRETE ROAD EAST will be closed from 29 May 2012 for up to 2 days, between 9.00 am and 4.30 pm.

The road will be closed for its entire length.
The alternative route is via A26o Canterbury Road, Hill Road and B2011 Dover Hill

THE OLD HIGH STREET, FOLKESTONE (PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC (TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991

Because of electricity cabling works, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on The Old High Street, Folkestone, on or after 21 May 2012 for up to 1 week or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed in the vicinity of number 10.
There is no alternative route. Every effort will be made to maintain access for businesses whenever it is safe to do so.

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HIGHWAYS - District of Sevenoaks**THE KENT COUNTY COUNCIL
(A224 POLHILL, SEVENOAKS)
(50 MPH SPEED LIMIT) ORDER 2012
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984**

The Kent County Council in exercise of their powers under Sections 84 (1) and (2) of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, and of all other enabling powers, and after consultation with the chief officer of police in accordance with Part III of Schedule 9 to the Act, has made the following Order:-

1. No person shall drive any motor vehicle at a speed exceeding 50 miles per hour along the A224 Polhill and London Road, from the junction with Morants Court Road to a point 330 metres north of its junction with Otford Lane.
2. This Order may be cited as "The Kent County Council (A224 Polhill, Sevenoaks) (50 mph Speed Limit) Order 2012".

A copy of the Order, which comes into operation on the 21st May 2012, together with the relevant plans, any Orders amended by the Order and a statement of reasons for making the Order may be examined during normal office hours Mondays to Fridays at Kent County Council, Sessions House, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX and at Sevenoaks Council Offices, Argyle Road, Sevenoaks.

Anyone may, by application to the High Court within 6 weeks of the date of publication of this Notice, challenge the validity of the Orders or of any provision contained in them on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or any instrument made thereunder, or that there has been a failure to comply with any statutory requirement in relation to the Orders

**HILLINGDON AVENUE, SEVENOAKS
(PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council intends to make an order prohibiting the use by vehicular traffic on Hillingdon Avenue, Sevenoaks and the Junction with Seal Road.

The Order will become effective on 3rd June 2012 and will be in operation and remain valid for use when required for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are due to commence on 4th June 2012 and are planned to last 6 weeks. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route will be via: Seal Hollow Road, Seal Road and vice versa.

The purpose of the restriction is to facilitate a gas mains replacement.

**TWITTON LANE, SHOREHAM (TEMPORARY
PROHIBITION OF TRAFFIC) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Notice is hereby given that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst works are carried out on or near the highway the Kent County Council has made an Order restricting the use by vehicular traffic on Twitton Lane, Shoreham from the junction of Filston Lane to the junction with Pilgrims Way, Otford, Sevenoaks.

The Order will become effective on 20th May 2012, will be in operation and remain valid for a maximum period of 18 months; the works are planned to commence on 22nd May 2012 and will last 2 days. These restrictions will be effective when the appropriate signage is in place.

The alternative route for the above restriction will be via: Pilgrims Way East, Filston Lane.

The purpose of the closure is to facilitate BT works

HIGHWAYS - District of Swale**LUDDENHAM HILL, LUDDENHAM, FAVERSHAM
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to safely remove overhanging tree canopy, Kent County Council has made an Order prohibiting through traffic on Luddenhall Hill, Luddenhall, Faversham, on or after 26 May 2012 for up to 1 day or until the works have been completed. The road will be closed to the north of the junction

with Bysing Wood Road.

The alternative route is via Wildmarsh Road and Bysing Wood Road.

**RUINS BARN ROAD, SITTINGBOURNE
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of works to lay a new electricity cable, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Ruins Barn Road, Sittingbourne, on or after 6 June 2012, for up to 1 week or until the works have been completed.

The road will be closed between the junctions with Broadoak Road and Cromer Road.

The alternative route is via Broadoak Road, Bottom Pond Road and Cromer Road.

HIGHWAYS - Thanet**VARIOUS ROADS, MARGATE (PROHIBITION OF
DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER JUNE 2012****THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC
(TEMPORARY RESTRICTIONS) ACT 1991**

Because of carriageway microsurfacing works, Kent County Council intends to make an Order prohibiting through traffic on Various Roads, Margate, on or after 6 June 2012 for up to 1 week or until the works have been completed.

UNION CRESCENT will be closed on 6 June 2012, between the junctions with Cecil Street and Addington Street

The alternative route is via Addington Street, King Street and Hawley Street

ST JOHN'S STREET / ADDINGTON STREET will be closed on 7 June 2012, between the junctions with Churchfields and Addington Road / Union Crescent.

The alternative route is via Churchfields, Churchfields Place, Hawley Square, Cecil Street, and Union Crescent.

St John's Road will also be closed into the *cul-de-sac* section and at the junction with Addington Street

The remainder of St John's Road can be reached via the above route, plus Addington Road, Victoria Road and Princes Crescent.

UNION ROW AND PUMP LANE, MARGATE will be closed on 8 June 2012.

The alternative route is via Addington Street, Union Crescent, plus Hawley Street for Union Row.

**Districts of Tunbridge Wells, Maidstone,
Tonbridge & Malling****THE QUEENS DIAMOND JUBILEE STREET PARTIES
(PROHIBITION OF DRIVING) TEMPORARY ORDER 2012
THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
AS AMENDED BY THE ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION
(SPECIAL EVENTS ACT) ACT 1994 SECTION 16A**

Kent County Council gives Notice that owing to the likelihood of danger to the public whilst events are being held on the highway, Kent County Council intends to make an Order; the effect will be to temporarily prohibit the use of vehicles on:-

The Broadway, Lamberhurst - from Memorial Hall to junction with the B2100 - 1130hrs to 1700hrs on 3rd June 2012 - diversion via the A21.

B2079 Balcombes Hill, Goudhurst - Junction with A262 High Street to Doctors Surgery - 0900hrs to 1700hrs on 3rd June 2012 - diversion via the A262 and A21.

Teston Road, Offham - adjacent to the village green - 1230hrs to 1730hrs on 3rd June 2012 - diversion via A20 and A228.

A227 The Street, Ightham - entire length - 0900hrs to 1900hrs on 2nd June 2012 - diversion via A25, A225 and B245.

B2010 High Street, Yalding - entire length - 2000hrs to midnight on 4th June 2012 - diversion via Vicarage Lane and Mill Lane.

The Order will become effective on 2nd June 2012. The restrictions/prohibitions specified in this notice will apply only during such times and to such extent as indicated by traffic signs in operation.

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Glamorous violin duo Elextra are in the line up for Proms in the Park

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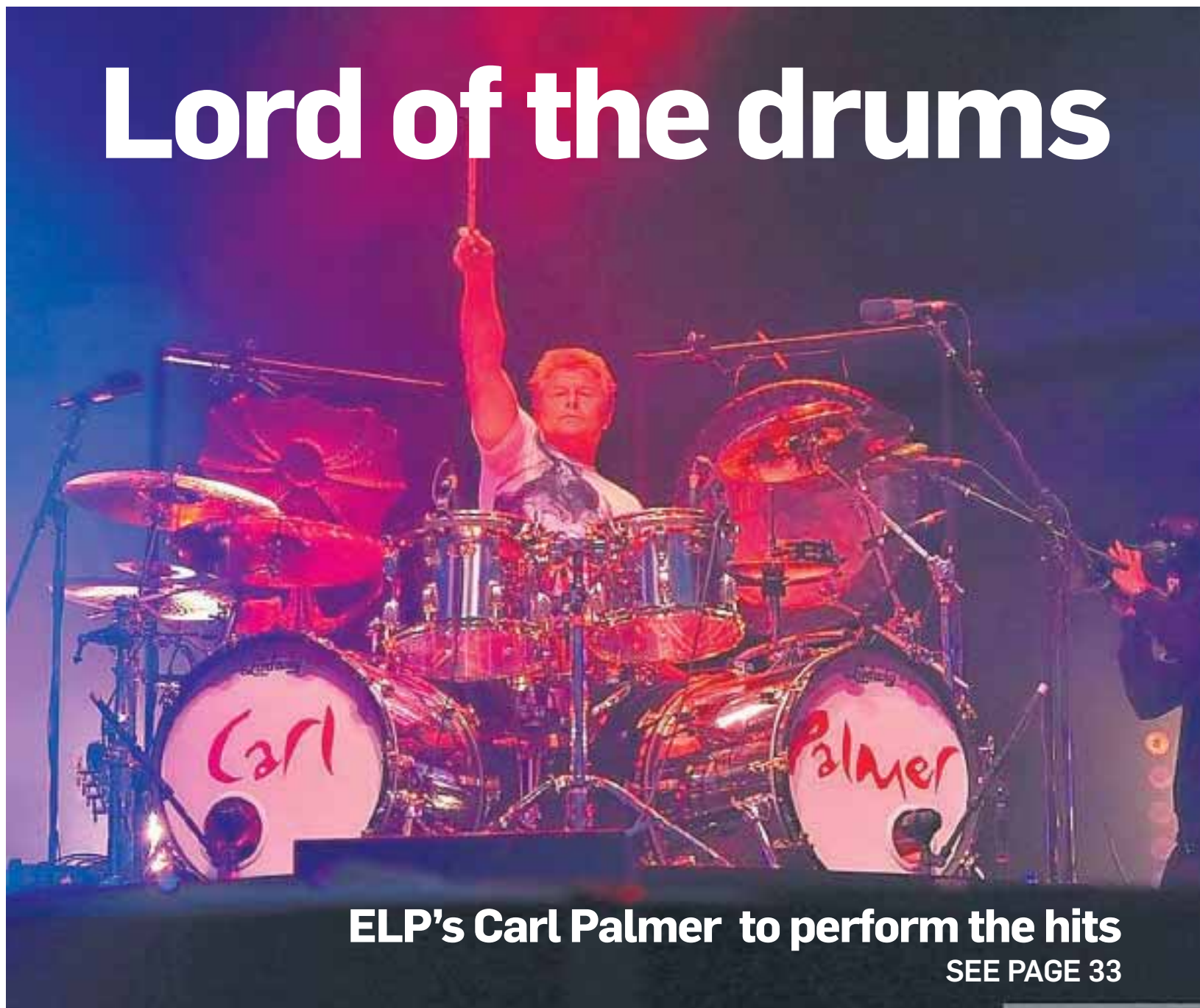
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THE INTERVIEW

Carl Palmer

No need for 'ELP in Carl's world

FOR almost the entire history of rock 'n' roll Carl Palmer has been providing the backbeat to a succession of top bands, writes Nick Ames.

From Chris Farlowe to Arthur Brown to the world's first super-group Emerson Lake and Palmer (ELP) and onto prog-rockers Asia, Palmer, born March 1950, has been recognized as a brilliant technician and a dynamic showman.

Later this month, he will be playing some classics from his back catalogue, along with a selection of other numbers at Sevenoaks' Stag Theatre with his three piece band.

"I've just come off a series of 18 European dates," said Palmer. "And I'm looking forward to it as it's a venue I have never played before."

"I shall be playing a one hour 50 minute show with some original material from ELP, some classical adaptations and Pictures at an Exhibition (compositions by classical musician Modest Mussorgsky recorded by ELP for a hit album).

"The Carl Palmer Band is instrumental rock, but on the cutting edge so it's very interesting."

"We have been playing to crowds with people from different age ranges, some are around my age, I'm 62, then there are their children in their 30s and sometimes a third generation of younger people as well."

"We have some grunge and metal fans, as although the music is instrumental it's not soft and delicate."

Palmer joined his first professional band aged just 14 and two years later he was playing with Chris Farlowe, alongside guitarist Albert Lee, who went on to play with Eric Clapton.

At the age of 18 he joined The Crazy World of Arthur Brown and played a US tour with the Grateful Dead and Jimi Hendrix.

A stint with Atomic Rooster followed as Palmer's reputation for virtuosity and speed with the sticks spread.

"Then I got a call from Tony Stratton-Smith, who was the manager of Keith Emerson, who was putting together a band," said Palmer.

Emerson was achieving success with The Nice while Greg Lake was riding high with In the Court of the Crimson King with its famous track 21st Century Schizoid Man – later covered by Ozzy Osbourne, sampled by Kanye West and



used in the Guitar Hero computer game.

But the three joined forces to form ELP – a legend in rock music who defined the progressive rock genre and split opinion across the music world.

"Our first show was at the Plymouth Guildhall, ahead of the Isle of Wight Festival of August 1970," said Palmer.

"It only held about 430 people, so it was a pretty small venue. But we went down a storm and earned around £400."

The show at the Isle of Wight has recently been re-released on CD and features a 33 minute version of Pictures at an Exhibition – the current mainstay of Palmer's show.

Emerson had arranged for a cannon to go off during the performance and a member of the road crew had put double the charge inside it. The resulting explosion slightly injured an

Italian cameraman.

Although the band's performance – alongside The Who, The Doors and Jimi Hendrix – has gone down in rock legend not all were impressed. Radio DJ John Peel branded it: "a tragic waste of time, talent and electricity".

Speaking about the festival, Palmer said: "I don't recall how well we played. All I know is that we went down incredibly well."

The following month the band released a self-titled debut album and the stage show became more and more elaborate.

In April 1974, ELP were on top of the bill during the California Jam Festival, pushing co-stars Deep Purple to second billing.

The trio's stage show was broadcast nationwide in the United States, and attended by more than 200,000 paying fans. By the end of 1974, ELP were rivalling The Rolling Stones and Led

Zeppelin as the highest grossing live band in the world.

On stage, the band exhibited an unorthodox mix of virtuoso musicianship and over-the-top theatrics. These included a Persian carpet, a grand piano spinning end-over-end, a rotating percussion platform, and a Hammond organ being thrown around to create feedback.

Emerson often used a knife given to him by Lemmy – of Hawkwind and most famously Motorhead who had roadied for The Nice – to force the keys on the organ to stay down and keep the sound going.

Follow up albums included Tarkus and Brain Salad Surgery as Palmer performed the world's first electric drum solo and grandiose projects such as the triple live album Welcome Back My Friends To The Show That Never Ends kept the band at the forefront of 70s rock.

But as musical fashions changed the band stopped performing and recording, with Palmer joining Asia – a group which included John Wetton of King Crimson, Rick Wakeman of Yes and Geoff Downes of The Buggles.

"Asia is still playing together and so I am in contact with many of the people I have performed with and had as my contemporaries – well those who are not dead."

"Keith and Greg it is more through accounts, there is not much to be said after 40 years but we played together a couple of years ago," said Palmer who is set to tour the USA with Asia later this year.

"I still really enjoy playing, this is what I have done all of my working life."

"I play around 97 concerts a year and even if it is seven nights in a row I do not have any problem getting up and playing as I love my art."

Palmer plays the Stag Theatre on Tuesday. He has also just announced an innovative new iTunes mobile app, Play Carl Palmer's Drums, developed by Dynamic Websites. This allows the user to download his drum kit and play along with fingers to any music playing through their iTunes program. Also included in the app is a myriad of rare Palmer archives and instant updates from his official website. Fans can purchase the app at the iTunes store.

See www.carlpalmer.com for concert and tour information.

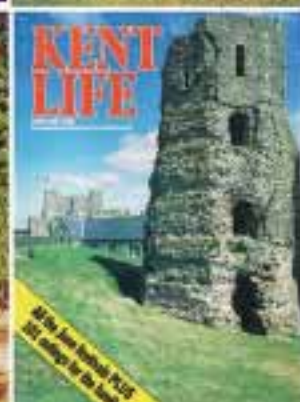
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Tapas twist is a welcome change to this traditionally British institution

SET back from the lower Rainham road, small enough that you may miss it if whizzing past, lies a quaint building not in keeping with its surroundings whatsoever.

The Barn restaurant looks quite literally well, like, a barn thrust into the future from medieval times with its white walls and dark wooden beams.

But there are no roast dinners for a fiver or pensioners eat for free in this eatery that you may well find in others bearing the same name in Kent.

The touch of class hits you from the moment you open the door, modern décor and stylish tableware compliment the setting as you are lead through the intimate dining room and up a narrow set of stairs to the bar. The journey through is not ideal but makes the best of a small space.

Up in the roof bar we were served drinks on our comfy sofas and allowed good time to make our selections before we were called for dinner. Our host saw to our every need, making sure there was water on the table and cold drinks being poured as we arrived downstairs, relaxed and ready to devour.

Myself and my partner opted for what we had heard about so many months previously, the British style tapas.

RESTAURANT REVIEW



Brilliantly served and skilfully presented using different slates, plates, copper tins and shot glasses, our five selections each at a total of £29.99 per person arrived.

As an amuse bouche we were handed a sharing platter of homemade breads, fried local sprats, a homemade prawn salad and confit lemon.

A number of the dishes were served with homemade crisps that blew away any salty packaged snack you could ever taste.

To start we went for the salmon cherville and

spring onion fishcake, which was far larger than I expected but perfectly cooked.

My favourite part of the whole meal also came as a starter, the quail egg "scotched" in duck meat balanced on a seared black pudding. Again it was beautifully cooked with a mixture of flavours that make my mouth water again just writing this.

My other half went for the chicken boudin with pea and mint mousse, a cheeky trial let me taste the very different flavours that have been carefully chosen together.

Our final starter was the mustard, smoked apple infused Welsh rarebit, potato rosti which looked delightful but I had to leave that to my guest as I saved room for the middle course.

Along came the confit leg of Gressingham duck with apricot, ginger and rhubarb salsa. For what was meant to be a tapas, again I was pleasantly surprised by the large size of the duck portion. No hint of dryness and a very complimentary sauce made for an excellent dish.

Hold on, actually the next course was my favourite as the boar, sage and apple "toad in the hole" was brought to the table. Now this really was the British tapas I had been expecting, with the tiny Yorkshire pudding sitting atop a glass that hid the much larger boar sausage. Devoured in the blink of an eye

without offering it to my guest says it all really.

Although she did have to contend with both the gammon, mustard and apple pie as well as the breast of chicken, chorizo and tomato dressing. Nods, winks and small tastes emphasised further excellence, with the gammon confirming itself as very much an unsung hero of the meal.

Our side dishes were also included in the price, a savoy cabbage with pancetta fricassee and chorizo, tomato and haricot bean cassoulet adding extra flavours but we probably over did on the meat dishes to be honest.

A delicious plate of home made brownie and chocolate sauce ended a meal fit for a British king, despite its Spanish orientation.

The relaxed atmosphere and attic bar and roof terrace would make The Barn a perfect location for further drinks long into the summer night and all for just over £88.

There are other options with the tasting menu and more traditional dishes available. Whatever you go for, a trip to The Barn in Rainham is a must.

Joe Bill

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The royal pair will be in residence to welcome guests to the Great Tower, but all is not as it seems as intrigue and betrayal seethe below the surface of this, the 12th century's most influential family.

Guests of Henry, one of England's greatest kings, will also meet his son, the power-hungry Prince John, and his beautiful fiancée Princess Alys. Attending the court and revel



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Pitter patter of hooves New arrivals at park

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HOOFSTOCK keepers at Port Lympne Wild Animal Park are delighted to welcome two new arrivals to their herd of eland antelopes.

The calves are just two weeks old and are settling into life on the 100acre African Experience of Kentish savannah where black rhino, ostrich and giraffe roam freely with zebra, eland and many other species.

Bob Savill, hoofstock keeper, said: "The calves are doing really well, although they are still very shy. Their mums are keeping a diligent watch over them to make sure they are safe."

Classic cars, brewery tours and festive fun Extended weekend

Faversham Town Centre

May 19 - 20

01795 542285

www.shepherdneame.co.uk.

THE famous Faversham Classic Car Show will continue as a two-day event embracing all historical vehicles and displays this weekend. It is a special year for transport lovers as it marks the 50th anniversary of the iconic Triumph Spitfire car. Shepherd Neame has teamed up with Practical Classics Magazine to restore one of these popular sports cars and the pristine vehicle will be on display outside the Visitor Centre on both days.

There will also be a chance to meet some of the Practical Classics team, hear the story of the renovation and take a photo next to the branded Triumph Spitfire.

Shepherd Neame will be running guided brewery tours across the weekend where visitors can go behind the scenes at Britain's oldest brewer and discover history combines with modern technology to produce Kentish Ales and lagers.

Proms for an Elektra night Park concert

Dunorlan Park, Tunbridge Wells

Saturday, July 28

www.assemblyhalltheatre.

THE first ever proms in Dunorlan Park are set to celebrate the Diamond Jubilee and the Olympics with an evening of classics and patriotic pieces. Rousing symphonies and con-

temporary favourites will make this a magical night of family entertainment.

The show features the Kent Sinfonia, a 60 piece orchestra with exuberant conductor Paul Hoskins as well as the Paul Dunton Orchestra, who will perform favourites associated with The Last Night of the Proms. Also playing are glamorous violin duo Elektra who are an exciting and diverse pair that have supported Leona Lewis, Moloko, Katherine Jenkins and Michael Buble and secured TV performances include X Factor and Strictly.



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ALICE 18yr old tall blonde carefree student, looking for exciting male 18-30 for good times only. ACA. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 387107 ☺

MANDY 45, 5ft 6ins, attractive, blue/green eyes, trendy, seeks tall, N/S male of similar age with GSOH. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 384555 ☺

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51YR old lady, seeking fun loving, genuine man for socialising and LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 389840 ☺

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WENDY enjoys most things in life and is up for anything, whatever you fancy? I'm willing to give it a go! Call me. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 382079 ☺

SARAH 40's black hair, blue eyes, curvy, outgoing, N/S, likes meals out, cosy nights in, seeking tall, good looking male who loves a laugh. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 388626 ☺

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KIRSTY 44yr going on 24yrs, sensual, attractive and in need of spoiling, and attention, seeks likeminded male for fun times. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 383051 ☺

TIA 38yr old attractive blonde female, likes keep fit, home life, looking for similar genuine romantic for sensual relationship and good friendship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 382081 ☺

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JENNY very young shy black female looking for reliable, genuine nice older man to help me become an attentive lover, 40-70yrs. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 374701 ☺

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32YR old male, seeks understanding female for fun times. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 390696 ☺

JOE 60, looking for attractive female, 40-55 with GSOH for lunch dates, socialising and friendship. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 390686 ☺

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MALE 5ft 9ins, brown hair, muscular, seeking well spoken Sussex pretty female, under 46, N/S for LTR. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 390490 ☺

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TONY 5ft 9ins, dark hair, slim-medium build, outgoing, seeks female, 25-40. Tel No: 0906 515 7112 Box No: 390468 ☺

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On or off the road Land Rover's new Freeland has got it all

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By Steve Loader

PORSCHE has a new generation Boxster on sale – the third in a line established in 1996.

The newcomer is certain to reiterate the Boxster's status as the benchmark open-top two-seater or roadster.

It's hardly surprising when you realise the original car was designed from the ground up to be a roadster, the first time Porsche had done this since the legendary 550 Spyder of the early '50s, which was designed for competition.

Some roadsters are still created from coupés, but often compromised in terms of rigidity and by extra weight needed for strengthening.

Porsche did it the other way around, later creating a 'Boxster Coupé' in the form of the 2005 Cayman, which followed the launch of the second generation Boxster (2004-11).

As with its 911 supercar big brother, Porsche has ensured the latest Boxster is visually derived from its predecessor; but while generations one and two were almost identical, the new car's all-new lightweight body has a distinctive look with sweeping lines leading into the trademark air intakes ahead of the rear wheel and highlighting the mid-engine layout that gives the Boxster such poise and balance.

Drawing attention to those intakes makes the car look more aggressive, adding to a more purposeful stance this time around, to complement a revised chassis.

A new fully electric hood opens to reveal a distinctive and typically stylish Porsche interior with more space and a centre console inspired by the German marque's Carrera GT supercar.

New Boxster prices start from £37,589, with the Boxster S flagship from £45,384, and the line-up has new horizontally-opposed or boxer engines that echo the car's name.

The Boxster's 265bhp 2.7-litre is 10bhp more powerful than its predecessor's 2.9 unit and is now based on the 315bhp 3.4 in its Boxster S sister. Both engines come with a manual six-speed gearbox as standard, with Porsche's seven-speed dual-clutch PDK auto-manual 'box as an option.

It is the latter that delivers ultimate performance, allowing the 2.7-litre Boxster to hit 62mph in 5.5 seconds, with the Boxster S needing just 4.8.

The new Boxster is not only impressive looking, but the body is up to 35kg lighter according to model, while a 60mm longer wheelbase with shortened overhangs front and back, plus widened track on both axles should add to stability and agility.

Porsche says the latest Boxster S lapped the testing German Nürburgring-Nordschleife race circuit in 7:58 minutes – lopping 12 seconds off the time clocked by its predecessor.

But even Porsche has to admit it can't all be about performance nowadays, so while the new faster range is also more fuel efficient, by up to 15 per cent. Official combined fuel consumption for the Boxster with PDK is 36.7mpg – the Boxster S with PDK returns 35.3mpg combined.



PORSCHE BOXSTER

- Price: from £37,589
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- Image: ★★★★★
- Space: ★★
- Value: ★★★★★
- Running costs: ★★
- Reliability: ★★★★★
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NOT SURE

... buyers need to pay extra for the Boxster S. Past generations show that any Boxster flatters the driver and flattens the opposition

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Freelander 2 has got what it takes, both on and off the road

By Steve Loader

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LAND Rover's Freelander 2 suffered tough love from me after its launch in 2006, but I softened in the end.

Not that the UK 4x4 icon's robust looking junior model really needs an easy ride, but my offish manner was more down to the failings of the Mark 1 Freelander.

That car's adherence – literally – to Land Rover's off-roading heritage was impressive, but I couldn't love a car styled to shout 'rugged and dependable' when it wimped out so often through flaky build and poor reliability.

I can remember the sainted Clarkson reviewing the original car at launch and questioning whether it would be reliable; the then LR marketing chief said he was so confident that it would stay the course that JC could come round and burn his house down if it failed – the bloke must be living in a cardboard box under the arches now, because Top Gear's enfant terrible closed the report by waving a box of matches at the camera.

Fortunately, the bigger Freelander 2 has shown it really can 'walk the talk' as a quality runabout, building site/rural workhorse and ideal 4x4 for outward bound and alpine holidays.

It's dearer than most compact 4x4s, but you get genuine off-road power – rivals are usually little more than 'soft-roaders', more politely labelled SUVs (sports utility vehicles).

Unlike bigger Land Rovers, the Freelander does not have low ratios, but the low down power of the 2.2-litre turbodiesel and several driving aids, plus the Hill Descent Control feature introduced on the original Freelander, is enough to boost and control the car up and down steep slopes by cleverly assigning traction individually to the four wheels as required.

I proved the point before at a Land Rover Experience Centre, crashing up and down steep slopes slippery with mud and littered with flinty boulders.

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| Driving appeal: | ★★★★ |
| Image: | ★★★★★ |
| Space: | ★★★★ |
| Value: | ★★★★ |
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IT'S ROUGH AND READY:

By making the Freelander 2 bigger Land Rover has shown that it can really 'walk the talk' with genuine off-road power, but still has good on-road quality

The car also romped through the site's 'elephant's footprints'; craters and hillocks that show how Land Rovers can balance diagonally on just two wheels without being halted or twisted by the terrain.

Unlike its predecessor, there was no creaking from dodgy interior fittings.

Of course, most 4x4 buyers never pose such a stern test, even if that's like buying a pair of wellies and wearing them as slippers, but it proves the Freelander's prowess in any conditions including snow and ice.

And it is not as if the car's superb but little used off-road ability compromises its on-road qualities: it handles tidily and comfortably with little body roll on the bends.

Steering feedback is good too – you need it off-road as much as on. Though larger than the old car, it also feels nimble.

The diesel's off-road clout works equally well on-road and it is impressively refined. There is

also a greener option for our hard and environmentally-conscious times – front-wheel drive only versions from £22,250-33,000.

The Freelander interior is comfortable and finished to a high standard whatever the spec, though workmanlike rather than stylish – the Freelander can now comfortably leave the flashy stuff to its new Range Rover Evoque stablemate.

Most controls fall to hand well and there is plenty of stowage.

Comfort levels are good front and back with a good high-up view from the cabin and a decent boot space for luggage behind that.

Power comes from a range-wide 2.2-litre four-cylinder turbodiesel, available in 150bhp and 190bhp outputs – with the latter available only with a six-speed automatic.

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

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RUGBY LEAGUE

Dragons looking to roar on the Broncos in Super League clash

By Greg Miles

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THIS weekend marks a major milestone for rugby league in the south with the visit of Super League giants London Broncos and Hull FC to Gillingham's Priestfield Stadium.

It's all the more pleasing for everyone involved at Kent's only rugby league side the Medway Dragons, based in Gillingham, whose players and supporters will be packing the Rainham End for the game which kicks off at 2pm on Sunday.

Most good ideas are born out of a discussion around a table in a pub, almost exclusively involving alcohol, but the for the Dragons, it was 12 men drinking tea and coffee who launched their dream of rugby league in the town a mere five years ago.

Their first training session involved just a handful of youngsters, and now they have teams of all ages, girls and boys, and have this season started a wheelchair team for the first time.

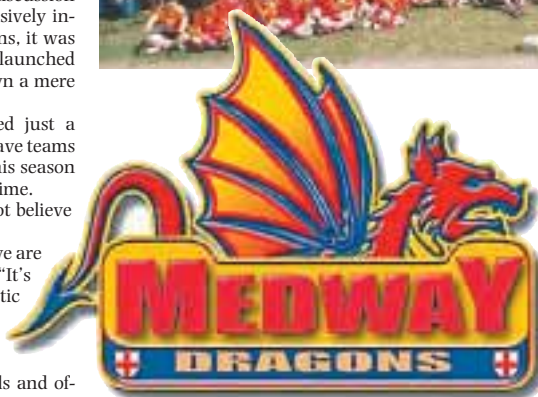
Chairman John Stanforth still cannot believe where the club has come from.

"We started off with no players and we are now running all these teams," he said. "It's been mad in a good way. It's fantastic that so many people have bought into what we are trying to do. None of this would be possible without the amount of people who have put up their hands and offered their time and experience."

Their success has even caught the eye of the sport's governing body, who offered to fast track the club from their regional amateur status to Championship level, which is a step below the Super League.

But while Mr Stanforth appreciates the sentiment he feels the club needs more time.

"What we have managed to create here has been down to our own time scale, nobody else's, we don't want to jeopardise what we have managed to build up," he said. "Further down the line it's going to be a whole different ball game, it

**PACKED:**

The Dragons' players and fans will be roaring on the Broncos at Priestfield on Sunday.

would be something completely different."

Another co-founder is Tim Holland, who helps coach. He said the club prides itself on making sure everyone gets the play, and cited a recent example of how it differs to other sports.

"We had one lad, he had been playing football locally, but he wasn't the football shape, so they just stuck him in goal," he said. "Basically he went to football and got cold, now he plays rugby league and he's never looked back."

"Unless it's a play-off game or cup game every-one who says they will turn up will play, we

never play the best team every week."

There are sure to be a number of spectators for whom it will be their first experience of the game, so here is a guide to get you through the match:

- There are 13 players per team, and 4 subs.
- Each team has six tackles or chances to score.
- If after six tackles they haven't scored the ball is handed over.
- It is played over two halves of 40 minutes.
- Four points for a try, followed by two points for a conversion, or for a penalty, and then one point for a drop goal.

IT'S NOT JUST A NORTHERN THING

IT'S a common belief that Rugby League is an alien concept for anyone south of Watford junction.

But the Dragons' community coach Mark Roughsedge couldn't disagree more, having seen first hand the passion for the game in Medway after moving south from Warrington, where it is treated like a religion.

He has worked for the past two years spreading the game into local schools and developing new sections of the club, having previously worked at his beloved Warrington Wolves.

"A couple of my friends have come down and they think it's amazing," he said. "A lot of people up north think it's just the London Broncos down south, what they don't know about is the amount of clubs in the area, they don't see the passion about the game."

"Everyone I have brought down here with that attitude has certainly gone back impressed."

"It's the best sport in the world, it's my religion."

"It could be the start of something special. People who go to watch it for the first time won't be disappointed."



MOTORSPORT

Host of racing stars set to appear in German touring car series at Brands

BRANDS Hatch is set for a German invasion this weekend as well as welcoming a Kent-born driver who has found fame on the continent.

The DTM Championship, which exclusively features Audis, BMWs, and Mercedes doing in excess of 100mph, takes place at the circuit this weekend, and in doing so brings Gary Paffett back to British tarmac.

The man from Bromley has been a revelation in the DTM series, and is currently its most successful active driver, with 19 wins to his name. He has won the series once, back in 2005 while also finishing runner-up three times.

After a successful opening few rounds the Mercedes driver, who is also a test driver for the McLaren F1 team, is at the top of the drivers leader board, 13 points ahead of nearest rival,

another Brit, and team mate Jamie Green.

DTM is a popular destination for former F1 drivers, with BBC commentator David Coulthard and Ralf Schumacher both driving for Mercedes, whilst moving in the opposite direction, 2010 DTM champion Paul Di Resta used the series as a career stepping-stone.

The F1 connection continues in the supporting VW Scirocco R-Cup race on Saturday, with 1996 World Champion Damon Hill making his first racing appearance since the 1999 Japanese Grand Prix. He'll be racing alongside friends Mark Blundell, Martin Donnelly, Julian Bailey, Perry McCarthy and David Brabham, all of whom appeared in the sport's top flight.

For autograph hunters the list doesn't stop there, as Jenson Button will be stopping by the circuit at 11am on Sunday

to meet fans and do a live question and answer session.

He will then take the wheel of a Mercedes-Benz DTM 'race taxi' alongside Paffett to do a lap of the track for the first time since his British F3 days in 1999.

BMW, who return to the DTM this year after a 20-year absence, will present a strong challenge to the Mercedes-Benz pairing, after an amazing comeback win last time out at the Lausitzring with Canadian driver Bruno Spengler.

Touring car legend Andy Priaulx, a three-time World Touring Car Champion, has a successful record at Brands Hatch. "I can't wait to drive Brands Hatch for the first time in a DTM car," he said. "There are going to be a lot of laps in the race, so there is not going to be any space between the cars and this will make it quite an intense sort of circuit to drive."

ON TOP: Bromley's Garry Paffett leads the way in the DTM series

MOTORSPORT

Nation's top karting team to do battle in new league

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SITTINGBOURNE'S Bayford Meadows go-karting circuit is set to host the first meeting of the Elite Karting League calendar this weekend.

A total of 26 teams from across the country will be taking part at the circuit on the Eurolink Industrial Estate, with £1,000 prize money at stake for the winner.

Organisers are billing it as a completely new concept for the country, and one which is more competitive than other motorsports.

That's because of the weighting system which means any driver under 90kg will take on ballast to make up the difference, therefore ensuring that driver's skill plays more a part than their weight.

Kat Pope, Elite Karting League coordinator said she was happy with the interest in the league.

"We are really pleased with the number of teams and drivers competing this weekend," she said. "We are expecting a real mix of drivers, which should be very interesting on the track."

"I imagine some of the drivers who are more experienced think they have a big advantage but with the weight equalization it's not going to be so easy to drive away with the championship."

Teams are town and city based, with entries including the Birmingham Wheels, Southampton Scorpions, Teesside Thunder and Manchester Immortals all challenging for nationwide honours. The teams are racing in identical karts with Biz Kart Evo chassis



SPEED: Skinny drivers will not be able to benefit from their weight in the championship competition

and equalised twin GX160 Honda engines.

There will be a one hour practice session for drivers, the chance to feature in four out of 16 heats, a race of champions, and two qualifying sessions for two endurance races of one to one and half hours.

After the Kent race, the league moves on to Dorset, south Wales, Norfolk, Northamptonshire, and then Middlesbrough for the final event in November.

Visit their Facebook page, www.facebook.com/thekartingleague for more information.

CRICKET



Mixed start in first two ties of season

THE rain has been the main victor right across the county at the start of the Kent regional cricket season, with Swale's teams have getting off to a mixed start this season.

Gore Court are lying second in Division Two after picking up a batting win, and eight points for an abandoned draw in their first two games.

Last Saturday they beat Gravesend after batting first and hitting a total of 139, with 60 from Hemantha Alles.

They managed to bowl their visitors out for 89, thanks to a five wicket haul by Rob Slater for 26 runs.

In Division Five, Bapchild are top of the table after beating RACS by nine wickets last Saturday, after bowling their hosts out for just 76 runs.

Cameron Archbold (51) and Dylan Lee (24) steered Bapchild to victory, while Ricky Dale was the pick of the bowlers for Bapchild with figures of 4-20.

In Division Four, Minster and Rodmersham are third and second bottom with just 12 points apiece.

Minster were defeated by 11 runs by Macknade, who sit top of the division last weekend.

The visitors made a total of 130 thanks to a knock of 42 from Kayleem Short, while Minster's top bowler Mike Rees who finished with 5-32.

Meanwhile Rodmersham lost by 57 runs at Sidcup.

The hosts batted first and made 157, which Rodmersham struggled to chase as just four players made double figures.

FOOTBALL

Lilywhites restructuring spells the end for their reserve team

FAVERSHAM Town has undergone a restructure in-order to cut costs and streamline its player development.

The Lilywhites will not be running a reserve side next season, which the club said was a difficult decision given that it reached two cup semi finals, and finished runners up in its league.

It will also only be running one side at under 18 level, to compete in the Ryman U18 League, but it will be adding an extra side at under 14 level, with further youth teams to be added in the following seasons.

The idea is that the club will have its own production line of talent coming up through the ranks and into the first team.

Chairman Ray Leader said: "With the current financial situation we need to keep things positive."

"We want to streamline the under 18s and give them a bit more support as we move toward the under-21 league."

"Sometimes you have to prune a tree to get the growth you want."

He said that by axing the reserve team costs would be freed up to



CHANGE: Turner has reserves cut

support the youth system.

"It's all the additional little bits and pieces, when you use the floodlights, the officials," he said.

"Our manager will operate with a squad we have, we have identified some under 18 players who will support him, we don't see it as an immediate problem."

"The manager will look at it the way he wants to run it, he will rotate players around as and when he needs to."

"A lot of thought went into these decisions."

FOOTBALL

Brickies told not to worry ahead of league review

SITTINGBOURNE have been told not to worry about the possibility that they will be playing in the northern leagues ahead of a review of non-league football next week.

Secretary for the Ryman leagues, Nick Robinson said he couldn't guarantee anything, but felt there was unnecessary worrying that the Brickies would be moved into the Ryman One North as part of the National League Step 5 review.

If the recommendations are to be rubber-stamped it would involve a shake-up of promotion and relegation places in the leagues below the Ryman divisions, while also expanding the number of teams in the Ryman setup.

This has fuelled fears that geographical boundaries may be moved to help fulfil the division numbers, as expressed by Sittingbourne who feel they may be forced to move into Ryman One North, which would bring about a big financial burden of travelling the length of the country to play teams.

But Mr Robinson, who sits on the two committees involved in the decision making process, has

moved to quash those fears.

"It's all to do with how many clubs we are left with," he said. "We are hoping that with the way promotion and relegation has gone we shouldn't have to change the situation."

"It's impossible to say at the moment what will definitely happen."

"I don't know why they (Sittingbourne) are thinking that, a lot of people worry, and worry unnecessarily."

The FA Leagues Committee met on Wednesday to hear the recommendations, which will be discussed for the final time next Friday.

One of the big ideas on the cards is to increase the number of teams in the Ryman One South and North and Premier, from 22 to 24 teams, to take effect in the 2013-14 season.

If that were to happen, each division would then have three relegation places, subject to any problems arising with clubs, as it did with Croydon in the Ryman One South this season, when they went bust in January.

KENT CRICKET LEAGUES

DIVISION TWO

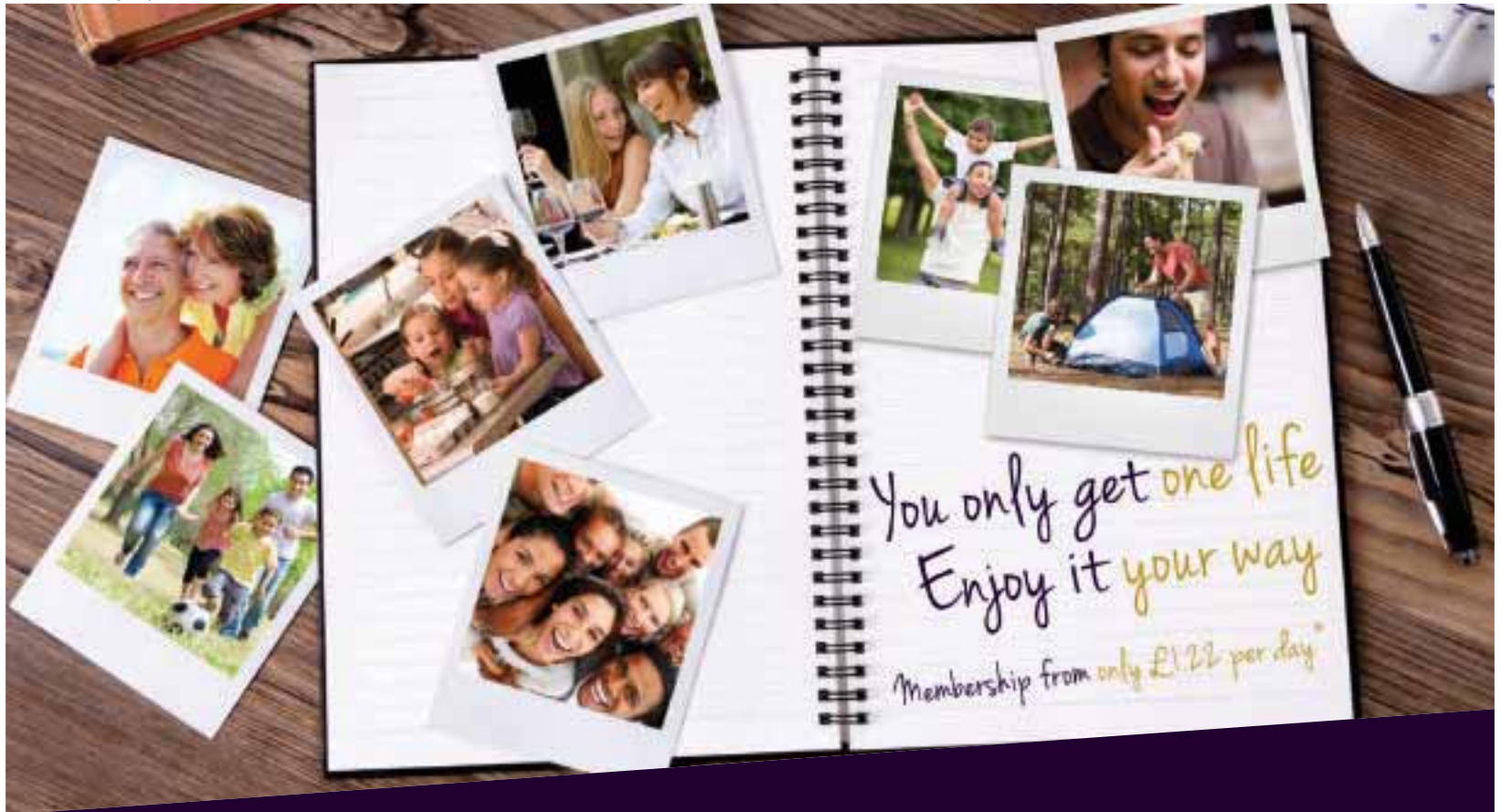
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| Gore Court | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Bromley Common | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Catford and Cyphers | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Ashford Town | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| Hayes | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| Gravesend | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 12 |
| Linden Park | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 12 |
| Dartford | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10 |
| HSBC | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 5 |

DIVISION FOUR

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| Macknade | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Rainham (Kent) | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Sidcup | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 28 |
| Bexleyheath | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Norington | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Cowdrey | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 13 |
| Betteshanger CW | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 12 |
| Minster (Sheppey) | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 12 |
| Rodmersham | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 12 |
| Gravesend RF | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 11 |

DIVISION FIVE

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| Bapchild | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Chislehurst & WVK | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| OD CLUACD | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Offham | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 24 |
| Bickley Park | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| Bromley Town | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 16 |
| Blackheath/Kent | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 11 |
| Deal Victoria | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 10 |
| Wickham Park | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 10 |
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